

WEATHER FORECAST

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Friday:
Victoria and vicinity—Increasing east and south winds, becoming unsettled and followed by rain.

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EXPLOSIONS TEAR UP STREETS IN LONDON

KING GEORGE BELIEVED DEFINITELY ON WAY TO RECOVERY

DOCTORS SAY KING IS GAINING

Progress Established on Firmer Basis, Declares Bulletin Issued in London

Heart Slowly Regaining Power; Slight Increase in General Strength

London, Dec. 20.—An official statement issued at Buckingham Palace to-night regarding the condition of King George said: "As there have already been two bulletins to-day, a further one is not issued to-night. The position continues to be satisfactory."

London, Dec. 20.—An official bulletin issued late this afternoon stated King George's progress was established on a firmer basis. The condition of the right side of the chest was stated to have improved, and the heart was stated to be slowly gathering power. The exhaustion, continued to be profound, but the general strength was slightly improved. It was stated.

The bulletin, issued at 3.30 p.m., read: "A consultation has taken place in order to make a comprehensive survey of His Majesty's present progress and to discuss the lines along which treatment in the immediate future had best proceed."

"The condition of the right side of the chest has improved and there is evidence of more normal respiratory functions."

PROGRESS OF HEALING

"The healing of the emphysema, with its severe local infection, though satisfactory, must of necessity be a lengthy process."

"The heart is slowly gathering power, and while the exhaustion remains profound, a slight accession of general strength is noticeable."

"The future course of the illness must from its nature be slow and not without difficulties, but we are happy to state the King's condition is now established on a firmer basis."

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AFGHAN REBELS HOLDING GROUND

Keep Jalalabad Isolated; Airmen Report British Legation at Kabul Safe

Peshawar, India, Dec. 20.—Advices on the Afghan situation received here to-day indicated the rebels were still occupying a strong position between Jalalabad and Kabul, the capital. They had repulsed all attempts of Government forces to get through to Jalalabad and appeared to be holding on merely to keep Jalalabad isolated.

LEGATION SAFE

New Delhi, India, Dec. 20.—A British Air Force plane flew over Kabul, Afghanistan, this morning, and the British Legation signalled that all was well and that the situation was improving.

CHAMBER AWAITS RETURN OF TOLMIE TO URGE WEST COAST ROAD BE CONTINUED

Announcement that Premier Tolmie will return to Victoria Christmas Day will be followed by a request of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce for an interview with the Government to press claims for the continuance of the West Coast Road which was made an objective of the Chamber five years ago.

A favorable reply is confidently anticipated in view of opinions expressed in favor of it by members of the present Government. Hon. R. H. Pooley, Attorney-General at the ceremony which marked the start of the road expressed himself as a strong advocate of the West Coast Road. Mr. Pooley also claims in a measure to be the

His Passing Is Widely Mourned



THE LATE HON. WALTER C. NICHOL

B. C. Loses Great Figure In Death of Hon. W. C. Nichol

Hon. Walter Cameron Nichol, former Lieutenant-Governor and one of the outstanding figures in the life of British Columbia, died suddenly at the Jubilee Hospital last night, following an illness of several months.

News of Mr. Nichol's passing came as a shock to the entire Province, as hope for his recovery had been maintained to the last. The illness which finally resulted in his death commenced some two months ago, and necessitated an operation last Saturday. Yesterday he was reported to be in a fairly satisfactory condition, but at 3.15 p.m. the end came. Mr. Nichol went to Europe last Spring with Lieutenant-Governor R. Randolph Bruce, his closest personal friend, and apparently the trip had benefited his health greatly. Two months ago, however, he suffered a relapse and had been confined to his bed almost continuously since that time. He was sixty-two years of age.

Every phase of the life of the Province which he helped in such a large measure to build, will be represented at the funeral of the former Lieutenant-Governor.

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Tolmie Says Ottawa Treats B. C. Liberally

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—Premier S. F. Tolmie of British Columbia, who to-day is on his way from Ottawa to Victoria, expects to reach home early Christmas morning. "And are you taking a nice little Christmas box for British Columbia in the way of a return of natural resources?" he was asked before he left here yesterday.

"I have been liberally treated by the Federal Government and I am going to give them credit when I get home," he said. "They were fair and reasonable."

WILKINS FLIGHT FILLS IN MAP

Graham Island Proved to Be Separated From Antarctic Continent

New York, Dec. 20.—The New York American, in a copyrighted dispatch to-day from Capt. Sir Hubert Wilkins, explorer, at Deception Island, Antarctic, said he had solved a problem which had baffled geographers for many years, proving Graham Island is separated from the Polar continent by an ice field channel. Geographers, it is said, had previously thought mountains extended without interruption into the heart of the continent.

Sir Hubert Wilkins made the observation during a flight in the monoplane and the matter was dropped for a time on account of the war. Premier Tolmie, too, during the election campaign last year, had expressed his interest in the West Coast Road, and came out as a firm champion of it.

UNANIMOUS

Probably no subject has ever come before the Chamber of Commerce on which such unanimity has been shown and the stoppage of work on the road and the new Government taking office came as a great disappointment to members who had hailed the project as one of the most important to the Province and the whole of the Province.

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FUNERAL SATURDAY OF HON. W. C. NICHOL

The funeral of the late Hon. W. C. Nichol, former Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, who passed away last night in the Jubilee Hospital, will take place on Saturday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from Christ Church Cathedral.

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Fine Tributes Paid to Late Hon. W. C. Nichol For His Service to Mankind

Lieut.-Governor, Soldier, Politician and Social Service Workers Speak

Visit to Trenches in Great War Recalled; Philanthropy Outstanding

Close friends of Hon. Walter C. Nichol and scores of others who came in contact with him through his association with the many organizations which will lose a sincere and generous friend, paid tribute to him to-day.

Business associates tell of the high motives which guided him in his financial transactions, of the great extent of his private charity and of his generosity to struggling societies and organizations and also of his public spirit in supporting anything of a patriotic or public welfare nature.

Men associated with him in public life pay tribute to his conduct of the Vancouver Daily Province during his journalistic career, to his fairness and his broad-mindedness. The same qualities made him admirably fitted for his duties as Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia.

War veterans deplore the loss of a generous friend whose financial assistance was sweetened by the spirit in which it was given and by his appreciation of their problems and deep personal interest in the welfare of the members and the widows and orphans of those who fell in the Great War.

Some of the tributes follow:

HIS HONOR R. RANDOLPH BRUCE, Lieut.-Governor of British Columbia

"In the passing of the Hon. Walter Cameron Nichol, British Columbia loses one of her most distinguished citizens and one of the founders of her present and future greatness."

"His own early struggles developed that kindness of heart which characterized him during his life, a life which was full of over-flowing generosity towards less fortunate humanity."

"It was a privilege to know him and a still greater privilege to be counted his friend."

"We have lost a great Canadian, one whose influence reached far beyond the bounds of Canada. We mourn the passing of this great personality."

HON. R. H. POOLEY, ACTING PREMIER OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

"Mr. Nichol," said Hon. R. H. Pooley, acting Premier on behalf of the Provincial Government, "was a self-made man. He was essentially a Western man and was always an outstanding champion for British Columbia."

"He had developed the Province newspaper from a little sheet published at first in the capital city of Victoria, into the paper with the largest circulation in the West. He had been successful in business and became a very wealthy man. He was, however, most generous in his contributions, and was continually giving to the poor and needy."

"Mr. Nichol was a man of wonderful grasp of world affairs and his opinion was constantly being sought by many. His readiness to offer advice was on a par with his generosity in the dispensing of his means."

"The late Lieutenant-Governor will be sadly missed in the life of the Province."

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Steamer Princess Adelaide Badly Holed in Collision Yesterday

Freighter Hampholm Has Badly Twisted Stem; Captain's Statement

Two Persons Hurt When Bow of Freighter Cuts Into Steamer Cabins

Canadian Pacific Inquiry Is Held

Vancouver, Dec. 20.—The Canadian Pacific inquiry into the cause of the collision yesterday between the steamer Princess Adelaide and the freighter Hampholm, will take place to-day before Captain R. W. McMurray, marine superintendent. While the Adelaide is undergoing repairs she will be replaced by the Princess Victoria. The crew of the damaged liner have been paid off, as it is expected that the vessel may be idle for some time.

Injuries to three persons, a fifteen-foot-square hole, nearly ten feet deep in the starboard side of the steamer Princess Adelaide, and a badly twisted stem on the freighter Hampholm, was the total damage resulting from the collision between these two vessels yesterday, just outside Vancouver Harbor, according to word received by the B.C. Coast Steamship Service offices here to-day.

Purser Thomas McLachlan, of the Adelaide, and Charles Haines, carpenter with a Pacific Coast theatrical company, suffered major injuries. McLachlan's scalp being badly torn and Haines having five ribs fractured when the bow of the freighter crashed into the cabins which they were occupying. A Chinese cook was slightly scalded, some hot soup spilling on him as the crash came.

The Princess Adelaide is in Burrard Drydock in Vancouver to-day awaiting repairs which will probably take three or four weeks and the Hampholm now alongside Ballantyne Pier, will also need attention.

Estimates of the total damage to the two vessels range from \$70,000 to \$80,000.

The Federal Government inquiry into the wreck will be held in the near future but the exact date has not been announced. The Canadian Pacific inquiry is under way in Vancouver to-day.

CAPTAIN'S STATEMENT

Vancouver, Dec. 20.—With her starboard stem badly twisted to starboard and showing for its first ten feet above the waterline the marks of the crushing impact when she rammed the steamer Princess Adelaide in English Bay shortly before noon on Wednesday, the freighter Hampholm docked late Wednesday afternoon at the Ballantyne Pier.

The Hampholm bore no other marks of the collision. The pilot had some difficulty in finding the pier in the

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COLD WAVE ON PRAIRIE TO-DAY

Sixteen Below Zero at Winnipeg; Forty Below in North

Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—Winter swung into its old-time gait in Manitoba to-day when the mercury dropped to forty degrees below zero in the North country and sixteen below in Winnipeg.

Four below zero was marked in Regina this morning, but Saskatchewan is watching its thermometers fast to-day.

Weather forecasts indicate the intense cold spell in Manitoba will not continue.

Harry B. Blount Dies in Ottawa

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—Harry B. Blount, forty-nine, telegraph editor of The Ottawa Evening Journal, died to-day following an attack of pneumonia. At one time he was a member of the editorial staff of The Saskatoon Phoenix.

INDISPOSITION PREVENTS SPEECH BY LLOYD GEORGE

Spectacular Explosions Follow Carrying of Electric Blower into Manhole by Workman; Seventeen Injured Persons Taken to Hospitals; Others Given Emergency Treatment; Long Stretches of Streets Blown Up

London, Dec. 20.—West and Central London were given a startling reminder of war-time air raids to-day when exploding gas mains caused a miniature earthquake that heaved up long stretches of streets, raved in shop fronts and started a fire which enveloped two six-story buildings, which roared away simultaneously with the flaming gas in the road. The occupants of the buildings were able to get away safely.

The explosion which started the fire occurred when the office crowd was going to work this morning. It came just after a workman had entered a manhole with an electric blower used to remove foul air from passages leading into a large inspection chamber below the roadway outside of the post office depot on Broad Street.

The first explosion was followed by a series of shocks along the street, which threw stones into the air, knocked down pedestrians and shattered shop windows. One manhole lid was hurled high into the air, and crashed on a motorist. Cracks appeared in the roads, wooden blocks were heaved up and the streets along which the explosions took place looked like jagged trenches.

Seventeen persons were injured seriously enough to be sent to hospitals, while many suffered minor hurts, being treated at the scene or on returning to their homes.

Shaftesbury Avenue, New Oxford Street and streets in Bloomsbury were the principal ones affected and the damage extended over more than a mile of pavement.

"The crash of the explosion was worse than those of bombs during air raids," said a passer-by of a flat nearby who was thrown off his feet. "I thought there had been an explosion."

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WARNOCK CASE WILL BE AIRED IN LEGISLATURE

Strong Criticism of Agricultural Minister's Action Forecast

Dismissal of Dr. David Warnock from the office of Deputy Minister of Agriculture, which position he had efficiently filled for a decade, will be the subject of discussion at the next session of the British Columbia Legislature. It is anticipated, according to a special dispatch from Victoria to the Vancouver Province, both Hon. W. Atkinson, Minister of Agriculture, and Dr. Warnock, refuse in the meantime to discuss the matter.

"No further explanation of the removal of Dr. David Warnock from the position of Deputy Minister of Agriculture will be made by the Government until the Legislature meets," the dispatch says. "Following much speculation over the matter in Victoria newspapers, it was indicated officially that

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HEAVY PENALTY FOR CONVICTED PURSE THIEVES

Samuel Dawson to Serve Two Years and C. Pisacreta One Year For Theft

Convicted on three charges of stealing handbags and purses from lady pedestrians on the streets of the city, Samuel Dawson was this morning in City Police Court sentenced to two years' imprisonment by Magistrate George Jay, and Charles Pisacreta, found guilty on two similar charges, was sentenced to serve one year.

A total of five charges was laid against Dawson and Pisacreta as a result of the recent epidemic of purse-snatching in the city. Three of the charges were pressed and Dawson was convicted in each case, while Pisacreta was found guilty of complicity on two of these occasions and one charge against him was dismissed.

Richard C. Lowe, counsel for the two accused, elected summary trial on each charge and entered pleas of not guilty. The defence rested mainly upon the question of identification of the accused.

C. L. Harrison conducted the prosecution.

BRAKE INSPECTION RULES ABOLISHED

Regulations requiring British Columbia motorists to have the brakes of their cars inspected every six months and to carry inspection certificates from garage mechanics were abolished by Provincial Government orders-in-council this week.

According to the Government, it has been found that this arrangement was not securing the results desired.

Police, it was explained, will have power to force motorists to keep their brakes in order, but the semi-annual inspection rule is wiped out. Car owners are still obliged to keep their brakes in proper condition at all times.

CANADIAN RADIO COMMISSION TO VISIT EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—The Federal Radio Commission investigating the whole question of radio broadcasting throughout Canada, will leave for Europe at the middle of January. The work of the commission will carry it to England, France, Germany, and possibly Belgium over a period of six weeks.

The system of the British Broadcasting Corporation will be carefully examined from every angle. The commission will then go to France, where broadcasting is handled partly by private enterprise and partly by the Government. The members of the commission will then visit Germany, which has the British system of broadcasting in operation.

The question of a visit to Belgium will depend upon developments. Sir John Aird is chairman of the commission.

VIOLA GENTRY SETS AEROPLANE RECORD

Roosevelt Field, N.Y., Dec. 20.—Miss Viola Gentry came down out of the rain-filled sky at 1.51 o'clock this afternoon after establishing an endurance solo flight record for women of 8 hours, 6 minutes and 37 seconds. She made a perfect landing despite the heavy rain and showed no fatigue from her hours in the air.

BYRD VESSEL IS AT DUNEDIN, N.Z.

Wellington, N.Z., Dec. 20.—The steamer Eleanor Bolling, which towed Commander Richard E. Byrd's ship, the barque City of New York, as far as the Antarctic ice pack, returned to Dunedin to-day for another load of equipment.

TWO ESCAPED CONVICTS TAKEN

Tacoma, Dec. 20.—The two convicts who staged a cleverly planned escape from the United States Penitentiary on McNeill Island, near here, during an early morning devotional service, yesterday were captured on the south point of Eagle Island, near here, this morning.

The two men, Jesse R. Watkins, twenty-five, serving a life sentence for murder committed in San Francisco in 1927, and Alvin Hodges, twenty, of Phoenix, Arizona, serving a year's sentence for automobile theft, were found concealed in a clump of bushes by two penitentiary guards.

The first clue indicating possible presence of the men on the island was found yesterday with the discovery on the beach of a boat stolen earlier in the day from a rancher named Ward, living on McNeill Island near the prison.

Guards commenced a systematic search of Eagle Island and soon found a broken oar near a dense growth of underbrush. A closer scrutiny this morning revealed the men hidden in hiding. They surrendered at once.

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Active, Enterprising Mind Created Famous Vancouver Newspaper

Vancouver newspapers to-day, commenting editorially on the death of Hon. Walter C. Nichol, recall his newspaper career, started forty-six years ago, which led to the creation of The Vancouver Daily Province.

"It is in the capacity of a newspaperman that we should remember him," says R. W. Brown, editor of The Province, who was associated with him for over twenty-five years.

His human qualities, his enterprise and the part he played in building up British Columbia are commented upon by men who were closest in touch with him during his active career. The following is the Daily Province editorial to-day, written by Mr. Brown: "Walter Cameron Nichol, outstanding citizen of his adopted Province, died Wednesday last, Thursday failed to restore the failing health which troubled the final months of his busy life. A few restless days of physical struggle intervened before he turned his head for the last time to sleep.

FIRST, A NEWSPAPERMAN

"For thirty years Walter Nichol had been part and parcel of the life, the growth, the energy of his adopted Province. He was the founder and first owner of this newspaper, and to speak of his death here is almost as if the stones should utter the name of the builder. For the period of a generation he was not merely the court of last resort in this office, but he directed its affairs. His life was wholly identified with the Province, and its life with him. Then he went from his publisher's chair to become the tenant of Government House, and it was as Lieutenant-Governor that he was best known to the younger generation of British Columbians. But he was first of all a newspaperman, and it becomes us, who are the assigns of his tradition here, that should remember him first in that capacity, now that he had gone to his long home.

HUMAN, MANLY QUALITIES

"We on The Province newspaper know that Walter Nichol took a leading part in the development of British Columbia as a distinct era in Vancouver's history, but it is rather towards the human and manly qualities which he represented that we find ourselves more naturally turning to-day. Starting his newspaper career forty-six years ago on The Hamilton Spectator, he tried his hand at a dozen jobs before he came to Vancouver. Incidentally, he probably had more to do with the founding of Toronto Saturday Night than any one else, and he worked in Toronto and London before he decided to come West. He experimented in Kailo and then edited The Weekly Province in Victoria before he could get the backing to secure a foothold in the daily field in Vancouver. Here he settled down to the real enterprise of the creation of a newspaper. For more than two decades, through good years and lean, with sturdy determination and a profound faith in the future of Vancouver, he gave his very

ADMIRABLE BY PEOPLE OF ALL RANKS

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MAYOR J. C. PENDRAY

In a sincere tribute to the late Hon. W. C. Nichol to-day Mayor J. C. Pendray expressed the deep regret of the community at the loss of a leading citizen.

"In the passing of the late Hon. W. C. Nichol Victoria has lost a very sincere friend. I can call to mind no man in recent years who contributed more to the advancement of the community, both by personal example and by his open-hearted generosity, than Mr. Nichol. Victoria's loss in this instance is Canada's loss, and I know that every citizen of the community joins with the city in expressing our deep regret at his sudden death.

"The late Hon. W. C. Nichol was a pioneer in British Columbia business circles, and by his example and precept had been a leading force for the progress and sane development of the country which was his home. I feel that not only Victoria but all our neighboring municipalities will deeply regret the loss his death occasions. Our sincere sympathies go out to Mrs. Nichol and the family in their very sad bereavement.

CAPTAIN C. F. L. MONEY

Secretary of the Victoria Unit of the Army and Navy Veterans

Now the late Hon. W. C. Nichol with his health failing and virtually on his deathbed submerged his own troubles to consider the needs of a veteran in distress is told by Capt. C. F. L. Money of the Army and Navy Veterans. "He was a patron of our unit since 1924, and always took a keen interest in our affairs," he said. "Even as late as last week when I saw him in hospital he talked about cases of relief which he had asked me to bring him. He was a man who made kindly inquiries about the persons concerned. During his days of sickness he made many inquiries about cases of distress and helped many of them. He was a liberal subscriber to our organization, but his interest did not end there. We sought his advice on many matters and valued it. He was interested in our activities, particularly our anniversary and our Christmas tree."

ROBERT BAIRD

Vice-president of the Union Club

"As vice-president of the Union Club, I should like to pay a high tribute to the late Hon. W. C. Nichol for the part he has taken in connection with the administration and his deep interest for many years. He will be very much missed on account of the close personal friendship that existed between him and a large proportion of the members of the club, of which he was president. A great loss has been sustained by those privileged to enjoy his personal friendship. Those who know his work as a man and a citizen will feel the sincerest regret at his passing."

LIEUT.-COL. D. R. MARTYN

Officer Commanding Canadian Scottish Regiment

"In the passing of the late Hon. W. C. Nichol, the Honorary Colonel of the Canadian Scottish Regiment, the Battalion has lost a devoted friend. He

marked talent to the production of this newspaper. His active and enterprising mind and extremely quick intelligence appeared never to be idle in those days. He possessed a rare judgment of news values and had the happy faculty of infusing new and colorful ideas into pages of dispatches and editorial comment, while maintaining at the same time the sense of decency and propriety and straightforwardness of appeal that lay at the foundation of his entire programme as a newspaper publisher.

SET HIGH STANDARD

"When he moved to Victoria eight years ago, he assumed the only public office he ever accepted, he naturally dropped all active connection with the paper which a few years later he sold to his first employers, the Southam Company. His idea of a good newspaper was one that presented the news, fully, clearly, as accurately as possible, with editorials that would suggest the logic of events, but not uncertain in tone. Through it all he never for a moment lost the outlook for the great city and Province that would come with passing years. Nothing in all his life became him any better than the high standard he set in his conduct of the Lieutenant-Governorship. He regarded it as a great honor to be the representative of the King in British Columbia, and he never forgot the responsibility of the obligation which was attached to the office. He was a sincere patriot, a loyal citizen of this Dominion and the Empire. He believed that the path of destiny for his native Canada was an equal partnership in the British Commonwealth of Nations. Perhaps there was no more convinced and sincere imperialist in all Canada than Walter Nichol."

COMMENTING ON THE DEATH OF HON. W. C. NICHOL

The Vancouver Sun editorially to-day: "Completing a full life of fine service to Vancouver and British Columbia, Hon. Walter C. Nichol, former Lieutenant-Governor of this Province, died in Victoria last night."

While the consummation of Mr. Nichol's career as a public servant was in British Columbia's Government, it was as a newspaper owner and publisher that he was best known.

His management of the Daily Province raised that journal to the highest peaks of its career.

He was devoted to the West and had unbounded faith in it. And it was his faith in the West and his energy with which he translated that faith into action that raised him to the highest of affluence.

"Mr. Nichol served this Province well. He served it with enterprise and intelligence."

With gratitude British Columbia reviews his life with deep regret learns of his death."

was a most generous supporter of the Canadian Scottish, and associated himself freely with militia efforts and various service organizations.

"During the war year, 1917, he visited the armies on the Western Front together with other Canadian newspaper proprietors. At considerable personal danger he called on the British Columbia regiment in the line, and ever after until the time of his death seldom failed to lend his patronage and support to returned soldier activities, gatherings and societies. His passing has taken from the militia and service organizations of Victoria, one who assisted them in their efforts. There was no militia enterprise that did not find in him a most kindly support."

"War and military service is enduring only by the spirit of comradeship it engenders. All ranks, from private to prince, shared with Colonel the Hon. W. C. Nichol this comradeship and returned soldier to the support of amateur athletics in all its various branches."

R. F. TAYLOR

President Victoria J.B.A.A. Club

"The late Hon. Mr. Nichol was the Honorable President of our association for some years and most kindly and freely supported and assisted. In particular I recall a situation which well illustrates his prompt and generous characteristics to the support of amateur athletics in all its various branches."

"Our association, while well supplied with young rowing shells, was handicapped by having only old shells to row in. On learning this Mr. Nichol immediately donated a new four-oar shell and later on learning that by reason of his gift our crews had won the presented personal cups to each of the individual winning members of the crew."

"His sound advice in the matter of securing our new quarters at The Gorge was very helpful."

"How many other amateur athletic clubs he has helped and how many—it is difficult to say as it was always done in a most generous but unobtrusive manner."

"It is with sincere regret that we learn of his death."

FRED LANDSBERG

Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Social Service League

"The Social Service League has lost an invaluable friend in Hon. W. C. Nichol. We found him a sincere sympathizer in the work we were undertaking. He was particularly interested in the work we are doing for children. When we outlined our aims to him he asked what our requirements were, and he was a generous monthly contributor to our funds. Even when he was sick he notified us that although he had not been so closely in touch with

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HAROLD BRAY
Officer Commanding No. 6 Company
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"In the death of Hon. Walter Nichol, Fourteenth, like every organization of ex-soldiers, loses one of its greatest friends. Mr. Nichol, to us as great an extent as any man in Canada perhaps, showed an interest in war veterans and although our organization is not directly concerned with veterans' problems, we honored him for the work we knew he was doing for those who suffered in the Great War. He was always a guest at our functions and no man was ever more welcome. Our company treasures a handsome silver loving cup which he presented to us as a pleasant surprise during his tenure of office as Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, and this will ever be a reminder of a great friendship."

EX-PREMIER MACLEAN

"The news of the serious illness and death of Hon. W. C. Nichol, late Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, brought me feelings of deep sorrow," said Dr. J. D. MacLean, ex-premier of the Province. "I first met Mr. Nichol nearly thirty years ago, when he was laying the foundation for that journalistic career, which later proved such an outstanding success."

ABLE GOVERNOR

"As a minister of the Crown I came to know him more intimately in recent years, through my official relations with him. Impartial, tactful, broadminded and well informed, he was admirably fitted to discharge the onerous duties of a representative of our Sovereign."

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Search For Slugger

London, Ont., Dec. 20.—Provincial police are searching for an unknown man who has thrown the town of Glencoe, near here, into a state of terror by his attacks on women and children. Four attacks on young girls were made in one night. Two of the girls, ten years old, were thrown into a muddy ditch when they screamed for help.

Cabinet Session

In Ottawa To-day

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—With a large number of business requiring attention before the Christmas holidays, the Cabinet will meet this afternoon for the second session of the week and possibly the last meeting of the Cabinet of the present year.

Vacancies in the Railway Commission and the Tariff Board exist, in addition to two Senate appointments from Quebec, in the understated term John Thompson, whose ten-year term as chairman of the Board of Pensions Commissioners expired recently, will be reappointed. A date may be set for the proposed Canadian-United States rum-running conference.

INFLUENZA AT TORONTO

Toronto, Dec. 20.—Three deaths in Toronto within twenty-four hours increased the death toll from the influenza epidemic in Toronto to a total of nine to-day. To the mounting fatalities was added a shortage of trained nurses. Four attacks were reported at the various city hospitals to-day and a decline in the number of cases was noted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Dickens's Christmas Carol" illustrated, to be given Friday evening, Emmanuel Baptist Church by Mr. T. Hall.

Yes, the Royal Dairy Limited, will be delivering ice cream on Christmas Day. Any extract or crushed fruit flavor, including the delicious new Plum Pudding. Orders taken until 6 o'clock, December 24, Phone 188, 707 View Street.

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On account of family bereavement Miss Jewell's Santa Claus party is postponed to Friday, December 28. There will be no classes this week.

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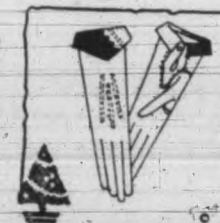
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MUSICAL CLUB YULE CONCERT WAS ENJOYED

Schubert Club and Soloists Warmly Applauded in Programme of Carols

Pastors of the boughs, Christmas bells and scarlet-berried holly lent a seasonal and appropriate air to the Empress Hotel ballroom last night when the Ladies' Musical Club held their annual Christmas recital. The programme, throughout was unusually attractive, carols and other choruses being sung by the Schubert Club, old English and French carols by Mrs. B. H. Tyrwhitt Drake, and piano numbers by Miss Gwen Harper.

The Schubert Club presented a striking appearance in their new concert gowns of taffeta in pastel shades, in a mode suggestive of the period of the recital, lending an almost Elizabethan note to their performance. The choir under the leadership of Frederic King, sang the Christmas carols with the semi-devotional spirit characteristic of these old hymns and songs, their ensemble singing being noteworthy for its breadth and purity of tone.

Among their numbers were "Silent Night," "Good King Wenceslas," "Sing Noel," "Children Before the Infant Jesus," "Branches," "Sleep, Holy Babe" (Jennings Burnett), "Say, Where is He Born" (Mendelssohn), "All My Heart This Night Rejoices" (Clausen), "Adoration" (Mendelssohn), "The Shepherd" (XV century Catalan), "The Nativity" (F. P. Bullard), "A Christmas Legend" (Percy Bullard), "A Christmas Legend" (Percy Bullard).

Mrs. Tyrwhitt Drake, soprano, sang with her accustomed finish, several very old English carols and a group of French "noels." Her English group included, "As Joseph Was A-Walking" (colloquially known as the cherry tree carol), "A Virgin Unspotted," "Cold is the Wind and Wet the Rain," while her French numbers included the beautiful "An Minuit Sait Point Reveille" (1793), "Les Bourgeois de Chartres," "Où Bon-Vous-Seez-Clair Berger."

Miss Gwen Harper, who appeared for the first time on a club programme, is a young pianist of brilliant promise. Her group included the theme in A Major with variations (Paderewski), Nocturne, F. Minor (Chopin), Valse (Friedman-Gartner).

Miss Lenore Brumpton lent artistic support at the piano for the choral numbers, Miss Alexander acting as accompanist for Mrs. Drake.

Mr. W. D. Carter, K.C. of Vancouver, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Wilma Carter of Seattle, will spend Christmas in Victoria as the guest of friends. On December 26, Miss Carter will leave for New York to spend the month of January there as the guest of relatives.

A surprise-miscellaneous shower was held on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Clyde MacDonald, 2847 Dyar Road, in honor of Miss Agnes Spalding, who is to be married shortly. The many dainty gifts were presented to the guest of honor in a huge Christmas stocking. Delicious refreshments were served. The invited guests were Mesdames Spalding, Stubbins, Rough, Leck, McDougall, Riddle, Cross, Stout, Payne and Macdonald, the Misses Agnes and Marie Spalding, Olga and Florence McDougall, Eileen and Marie Stubbins, Marjorie and Mamie Beane, Ellen and Mary Gilling, Clara Graham and Hilda Huddleston.

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Of Interest to Women

RURAL TEACHER SUES TRUSTEES SUCCESSFULLY

Wins Suit For Salary When School Closed at Their Whim

Medicine Hat, Alta., Dec. 20.—A case of great interest to country teachers because it shows to what extent the powers of country school trustees extend, was decided here recently by Judge Green. Plaintiff entered into an agreement with the trustees to teach in 1928 and signed the usual contract with the board.

In a blank space at the end of the contract was an additional clause stating that in the event of bad weather, bad roads and other adverse conditions, the school would be closed and the teacher would not be paid during such periods. This was in accordance with the School Act, but in addition the defendants argued a verbal agreement was made that the school would be closed during January and February of each year, during which period the teacher would not be paid.

The plaintiff denied any such verbal agreement was made. His honor held that even if such a verbal contract had been entered into, it would be ultra vires, as the trustees have no power to arbitrarily alter the number of school days in the year set by the department without permission of the minister of education. Therefore his honor gave judgment to the plaintiff for the full amount of salary due her, as well as costs of the court.

"The Poplars" Held Its Annual Entertainment

The Poplars School yesterday afternoon celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of its annual entertainment with all its usual success. The Dean of Columbia for the eleventh consecutive occasion presided and read the report which showed very encouraging scholastic progress. The results of the examinations of the term's work, in most cases, uniformly good.

After congratulating the parents and the principals, Miss Archibut and Miss Messenger, on the high standard of obedience, loyalty and devotion to work. The results of the musical examinations by the Associated Board of the R.A.M. and R.C.M., were very good, fourteen of the fifteen contestants in the practical piano test being successful. Miss Peetz and Phyllis Gibson gaining honorable mention.

In the two theory tests in May and

November twelve candidates entered, all passing, eight of whom gained ninety-four per cent and upwards. The programme, as usual, was on educational lines and called forth much applause from the audience. One of the special points noted was the clear diction in singing and correct emphasis in reading and recitation. The playing was particularly good, the solos of Doris Spencer, Dorothy Robinson, Josephine Pearce, Phyllis Gibson, Zella Marr and Garth Griffiths showing fine execution, phrasing and rhythm. The French play, always an outstanding feature, was particularly well acted and spoken. Zella Marr showing much dramatic ability in her rather difficult role. Mildred Wetmore, as the cook, and Josephine Pearce as the pert child, entered splendidly into the spirit of their parts. The number from "Alice in Wonderland" went with great spirit, and brought to a fine conclusion a clever and animated entertainment.

Before the programme commenced the Dean presented the music certificates.

PAGEANT WILL BE PRODUCED

"The First Christmas Gift" to Be Presented at First United Church To-morrow

The Christmas pageant, entitled "The First Christmas Gift," will be presented in the auditorium of the First United Church to-night at 8.15 o'clock. This pageant promises to be one of the most beautiful and impressive of its kind, and will consist of five scenes portraying the events in connection with the birth of Christ.

In the tableaux a number of the Sunday school children will take part in recitations and dialogue. A special platform has been erected with decorations and scenery in keeping with the season. The children will be robed in Eastern costumes, similar to those worn in Palestine, and this will be one of the special features of the pageant. The programme is entirely original, having been arranged by Rev. J. G. G. Bompa, who will direct the pageant. The music is under direction of W. C. Fyfe, the church choir-master, who has mustered a choir of thirty-five children to sing special carols. Mr. Fyfe has done considerable work in this direction in other parts of Canada.

Sacred musical numbers will include the "Magnificat" and "Nunc Dimittis," sung by the following quartette: Mrs. A. Millhouse, Miss Beth Simpson, W. Fyfe and F. J. Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell will also render the solo, "The Birth of a King." The doors will be open at 7.40 o'clock. Tickets are to be had from Sunday school children, and also at Fletcher Bros.

It isn't the fellows who spend their evenings at home, with slippers on, who do the most slapping.

HUSBAND PUTS WIFE IN JAIL

Former Music Hall Artist Alleged User of Narcotics

Seattle, Dec. 20.—With her ten-month-old baby, Mrs. Doris Johnston, thirty-seven, former English music-hall entertainer, was jailed here last night on a vagrancy complaint sworn by her husband, who asserted she was an habitual user of narcotics.

"Why my husband hasn't been with me ten days since our baby was born," she exclaimed, "He has ten days in port whenever he finishes a voyage, but he's grown cold to me—told me he was through. I've had to work as a housekeeper in Vancouver to keep body and soul together for me and my baby."

Her husband, Frank Marion Johnston, is mail clerk on the American Mail Line President McKinley.

Your Baby and Mine

By MYRTLE MEYER ELDRED

WHAT TO DO ABOUT COLDS

The sniffle season is on. Someone is always apologizing: "Excuse my voice, I have a terrible cold," and someone else is always asking: "How can I keep baby from having colds?"

We're quite willing to forgive anyone his voice, but we aren't a bit gracious about excusing anyone who comes into a home with a terrible cold. People take colds, especially children, from contact with other persons having colds. Bundling the child up well and sending him to school fortified with a half-dozen clean handkerchiefs may seem easier for the mother than attending to a whiny child who doesn't want to miss school, but it is a most dastardly trick to play on the other children. It is bad enough when a mother with a cold has to take care of her baby. But it is unforgivable when mothers send children to school with bad colds, and go about spreading them themselves in other homes where there are children.

No one has yet been able to devise a good workable method of preventing colds (perhaps because of the above propensity), but a child who suffers colds throughout a good part of the

school year and is continually a slave to a handkerchief, has some source of infection in his own body. Adenoids and tonsils should be examined, for colds which develop from these lively sources and spread to the ear causing running ears and the ever present danger of mastoiditis, should be nipped by removing the infection.

EARLY SYMPTOMS

Children who are so bundled in clothes in the house that they are in a near state of perspiration, will react poorly to cold winds and abrupt changes of temperature from indoors to out, and so living in super-heated rooms, in clothing suitable for an arctic winter, is one excellent method of inducing colds. Keeping rooms, with so little moisture evaporating that the inmates mucous members are always dry and irritable is another means of making them susceptible to colds.

The early symptoms of a cold are well known, sneezing, peevishness, a running nose. One other symptom is often overlooked, and it is an important one. Loss of appetite! It is a fairly sure indication of something wrong, and this something is very often a cold. Pay attention to that appetiteless spell. Cut down on the child's food. Give more water and less milk, more orange juice and less solid food. Keep the child quiet and in a moist atmosphere of not above seventy degrees. Drop a little liquid alboline in the dry nose. If proper care is given when the first signs of a cold appear, the recovery will be a speedy one.

NANCY PAGE

PETER AND NANCY CELEBRATE THIRD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

By Florence La Ganke

This was the third anniversary of Nancy's and Peter's wedding. Last year they had entertained a group of friends but this year they decided to celebrate all by themselves. They had Peter Junior, who was now almost four months old, he was so adorable when Nancy lifted him up to greet Peter. Nancy had had time to get Peter a new walking stick of Malacca. Being English, he never felt at ease on the street without his walking stick. And Nancy said she always felt so swanky when Peter and she, and his cane went out walking.

She planned an especially good dinner, one which she knew she and Peter would both enjoy. When she and Peter were talking over the anniversary he had asked her what she wanted. She said, "A washing machine. There is so much laundry with all your son Peter's clothes." Peter had demurred, "I'll get the machine, but not as an anniversary gift. I don't believe in that kind of present. That's something utilitarian. I want to give you something for yourself alone." And he did. His gift was two-fold, a necklace of the new flat pearls and a most beautiful silver toilet set. "I had been extravagant," but he told Nancy business was good. "And, anyway," he added, "you are worth everything I can get for you and more." Nice, appreciative Peter.

MOTHERS
AND
THEIR CHILDREN



SURPRISING MOTHER

One mother says—Every once in a while I let my children go to the store and choose some dessert that appeals to their eyes as well as palates—such as creampudding, frosted and seeded cookies, etc. They call this "surprising mother," when in reality it is just giving all a little change from the usual simple bread-puddings, cup-cakes, etc., which I prepare for them.

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During the last census an old lady was asked how many children she had. Her reply was two boys; and when the man asked her whether both sons were alive, she answered: "Well, my eldest son, John, is silver; the other one is in the Civil Service."

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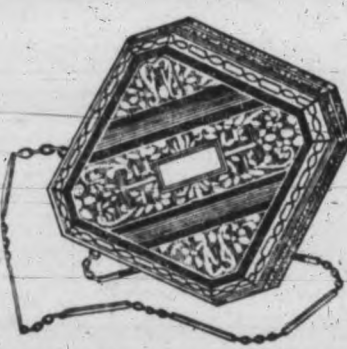
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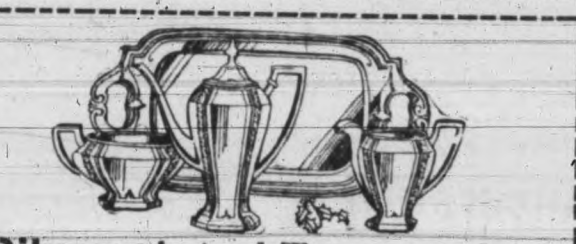
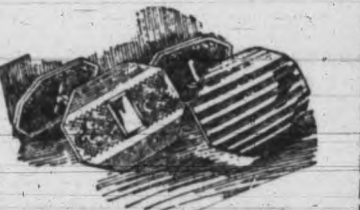
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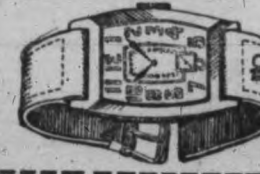
Beautiful blue-white gems, mounted on many 18-k solid white gold designs, with safety catches. Values \$35.00, now \$24.85.
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Fine blue-white gems, mounted in an exquisite 18-k solid gold hand-engraved basket setting. Regular \$25.00 values. Now \$14.95.
Two beautiful blue-white diamonds, set with sapphire or emerald in 18-k green gold and platinum top. Regular \$45.00 values. Now \$34.95.
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15-jewel adjusted movements in high-grade green or white filled gold rectangular designs. Regular \$20.00 values, now \$9.95 and regular \$15.00 values. Now \$8.95.
14-k solid white gold, fitted with 15-jewel movements, silvered dials and cathedral hands. Regular \$30.00 values. Now \$18.75.
15-jewel 18-k solid white or red gold cases, in many designs of rectangular, round or tortoise, all fully guaranteed time-pieces. Regular \$35.00 values. Now \$21.75.
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English Cricketers Need Only One More Win to Take "Rubber"

Take Second Test Match From Australians by Eight Wickets; Aussies Go Down Fighting in Second Innings, Preventing First Innings Defeat; Third Game to Be Played at Melbourne December 29; England's Record Score, Hammond's Brilliant 251 and Tate's Bowling Features of Second Match

Sydney, Australia, Dec. 20.—By the large margin of eight wickets, England today won the second cricket test match of the present tour of Australia, Australia going down fighting in the second innings instead of being engulfed in a threatened single-innings reverse. Since the visitors have won the first two contests, a victory in the opening game at Melbourne, December 29, will give them the rubber match out of five scheduled encounters. England won the second game by an aggregate total of 652 runs to 650.

English bowling, fairly easy yesterday, stepped up as Ryder and Kippax opened to-day's innings, the former sending only two and the latter twenty-four runs to his total. Oldfield, out leg before wicket, added nothing, and continued scratched only a few runs. The Australian innings ended, leaving only fourteen runs required for England to reach the Antipodean aggregate.

FEATURES OF WIN
Both Tate and Geary were put out before securing the necessary two. Duckworth and White did the trick, White hitting the winning run. England's record first innings score of 636, aided by Wally Hammond's brilliant 251 and Tate's bowling, which averaged four wickets for ninety-nine, were the features of England's win over Australia, weakened by the absence of Ponsford, injured on the opening day.

THE SCORES
Australia, first innings, 253.

AUSTRALIA
Second Innings

Richardson, c Hendren, b Tate	0
Woodward, run out, b Tate	11
Hendray, lbw, b Tate	112
Kippax, lbw, b Tate	10
Ryder, c Chapman, b Larwood	79
Nothing, run out	44
Oldfield, lbw, b Tate	4
Grimmett, c Chapman, b Geary	13
Blackie, not out	11
McMonger, b Geary	0
Extras	12
Total	397
Ponsford absent, hurt	

England, first innings, 636.

ENGLAND
Second Innings

Tate, c substitute, b Hendry	4
Geary, b Hendry	8
Duckworth, not out	8
White, not out	2
Total for two wickets	16

Chapman, Hobbs, Sutcliffe, Hammond, Hendren, Larwood and Jardine did not play.

England, aggregate runs, 652.
Australian, aggregate runs, 650.

Aspirations Of Tommy Loughran At New Height

Chicago, Dec. 20.—The heavyweight championship aspirations of Tommy Loughran have surged to a new height as the result of his victory over "Big Boy" Peterson, New Orleans heavyweight, Monday night.

Set Preliminary Bouts For Boxing Show on Saturday

The preliminary bouts to the "Dusty" Miller-Joe Boyd ten-round fight which is scheduled for Saturday evening at the Tillikum gymnasium, Broad Street, and the fans should witness a fine evening's sport.

Paavo Nurmi Not Willing to Quit As Mile Runner

New York, Dec. 20.—Paavo Nurmi is not yet ready to abdicate as king of the world's one-mile runners and fall back on the longer distance for his laurels. He probably will race again this spring. His strongest opposition in mile events this season may come from Phil Edwards, Canadian Olympic champion, who holds the United States national indoor 600-yard crown.

YOUNG SWIMMER WINS FEATURE GALA CONTESTS

Doris Hiberson of V.A.S.C. Takes Lange and V.A.S.C. Cups at Crystal Pool

Art Stott Wins Hiberson Trophy; Y.M.C.A. Leads V.A.S.C. in Inter-club Events

Taking both events in which she competed, Doris Hiberson, youthful V.A.S.C. mermaid, proved the star in the life-saving gala held at the Crystal Garden last night.

A FINE PLUNGE
In winning the plunge for distance, Doris Hiberson of the V.A.S.C. attained a distance of two feet more than that recorded in the Canadian Amateur Swimming Association's hand book as the Canadian record. However, as the swimmer was not a regularly sanctioned swimmer, the mark set by the local swimmer will not be considered a new record.

As usual Barrett plunged sixty-one feet to win the honors in the men's event.

In the relay races, the junior and lady swimmers of the V.A.S.C. proved to be far faster than those of the V.A.S.C. and established leads which were the sterling performances of Tom Weirburn in the last lap failed to make up.

TOMMIES STRENGTHENED

A strengthened Garrison sextette will play the B's in the latter game of the evening. The soldiers have been playing losing games for a considerable time, but with Walker Taylor and they should be able to give a better account of themselves than they have been doing in the past.

Senior Relay (mixed)—1. Y.M.C.A. 2. B. 3. V.A.S.C. 4. B. 5. V.A.S.C. 6. B. 7. V.A.S.C. 8. B. 9. V.A.S.C. 10. B. 11. V.A.S.C. 12. B. 13. V.A.S.C. 14. B. 15. V.A.S.C. 16. B. 17. V.A.S.C. 18. B. 19. V.A.S.C. 20. B. 21. V.A.S.C. 22. B. 23. V.A.S.C. 24. B. 25. V.A.S.C. 26. B. 27. V.A.S.C. 28. B. 29. V.A.S.C. 30. B. 31. V.A.S.C. 32. B. 33. V.A.S.C. 34. B. 35. V.A.S.C. 36. B. 37. V.A.S.C. 38. B. 39. V.A.S.C. 40. B. 41. V.A.S.C. 42. B. 43. V.A.S.C. 44. B. 45. V.A.S.C. 46. B. 47. V.A.S.C. 48. B. 49. V.A.S.C. 50. B. 51. V.A.S.C. 52. B. 53. V.A.S.C. 54. B. 55. V.A.S.C. 56. B. 57. V.A.S.C. 58. B. 59. V.A.S.C. 60. B. 61. V.A.S.C. 62. B. 63. V.A.S.C. 64. B. 65. V.A.S.C. 66. B. 67. V.A.S.C. 68. B. 69. V.A.S.C. 70. B. 71. V.A.S.C. 72. B. 73. V.A.S.C. 74. B. 75. V.A.S.C. 76. B. 77. V.A.S.C. 78. B. 79. V.A.S.C. 80. B. 81. V.A.S.C. 82. B. 83. V.A.S.C. 84. B. 85. V.A.S.C. 86. B. 87. V.A.S.C. 88. B. 89. V.A.S.C. 90. B. 91. V.A.S.C. 92. B. 93. V.A.S.C. 94. B. 95. V.A.S.C. 96. B. 97. V.A.S.C. 98. B. 99. 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O. C. Soccer Teams Experiencing Their Most Trying Period

By PENALTY KICK

Not yet affected with the fever which accompanies Cup-tie competition and increases with its development First and Second Division clubs are enabled to concentrate all their energies to League progress this month.

The third schedule for December was played on Saturday and, despite slight seasonable interference, was descriptive of the more exciting games which will be staged in strenuous combat for honours during the most trying period of the season.

What a change has come over the position and prospects of the Wednesday club since last Spring. Relegation tared them in the face in the middle of March when they were reposing at the bottom of the League table. To-day they stand at the top, proud leaders of the League for the third time in succession. Before the New Year arrives they will be at home to Aston Villa to Manchester City and away to Manchester City and Woolwich Arsenal. Truly a programme which will severely test both their existing and dormant resources.

COUNTY STILL LEADS

True, the County could only get one goal as the result of Stoke's visit to Nottingham in a Second Division fix-

ture on Saturday, but those two valuable points were sufficient to keep them at the head of the table for another week. Hull City could only draw with Swansea as also could Chelsea at Reading. The success of the three leaders does not impair their standing but fourth and fifth places find new occupants in Preston North End and Middlesbrough respectively. Southampton participated in their tenth drawn game this season by failing to extract both points from West Bromwich. Thirty-three goals are credited to their attack while twenty-two have been recorded against their defence, which shows there is nothing wrong with their backs, of whom A. E.

Keeping was a member of the last English professional team which visited Victoria.

Plymouth Argyle's meritorious success during the past seven years, six of which were concluded with the Argyle in second place and one in third place, is undoubtedly largely attributable to the help and guidance of one of the most remarkable personalities now playing first-class football. Moses Russell, the full back and captain, is the player under review—the possessor of twenty-three Welsh International caps.

A GREAT PLAYER

Now in his forty-first year he has been a professional for a quarter of a century, yet not only is he as hard and fit as ever, but he has lost little of his speed and none of his ability. Incidentally, he was, as bald twenty years ago as he is to-day, and when Manager Bob Jack, popular father of David Jack, intimated to Mervyn Town that he wanted Russell, that player took the favorable precaution of producing his birth certificate.

THE BEST AVERAGE

Sixty-one goals against seventeen form the best average in either English or Scottish League football this season. On April 14 at Hampden Park the Rangers beat the Celtic by four clear goals to obtain possession of the Scottish Cup, when 11,113 spectators paid for admission. They were League champions for two previous seasons, last April bringing off the double event. With practically the same team which won dual honours last season they at present appear to be in a fair way of emulation. For the past twenty-three years the League has been won by either Celtic or the Rangers. At present Rangers have a seven-point lead over Hearts, Dundee United lead the Second Division clubs in the Scottish League, having a four-point advantage over Arbroath. East Stirling were the former's latest victims, the score being

three goals to two. There were two three-three, one two-two, one one-one and one no score draws last Saturday. On East Fife's enclosure nine goals were scored, of which total Dumbarton obtained three.

After a week's compulsory rest Aston Villa will travel to the cut-throat centre on Saturday with only one object in view—that of checking the progress of the triumphant Wednesday eleven. Derby County will no doubt successfully entertain the ill-fated Bury, Blackburn Rovers will receive Cardiff City while Leeds United must visit Birmingham. Present standings of League leaders are not expected to be endangered. Whatever happens Sheffield Wednesday's leadership cannot be in jeopardy.

Chelsea will treat their home supporters to a great game with the League Leaders of the Second Division, but should the former lose, the success of the latter cannot take North County's place. Neither can Hull City tilt the County off their perch, although Saturday's game may provide joint ownership. Hull City visits the Forest at Nottingham.

A GOOD CHANCE

Stockport County will have a good chance to assume leadership of the Northern Section of the Third Division when they travel to Barrow on Saturday. Aided by the valuable acquisition of the late Bolton Wanderers' stalwart, Joe Smith, to lead them Stockport forwards have accumulated fifty-eight goals this season. Even after eighteen seasons with the Wanderers, during which time he had three benefits, was capped seven times for England and Canada, toured South Africa and Canada during close seasons, there is lots of good football in Joe yet, for Bolton's loss has proven Stockport's gain.

Rangers entertain St. Mirren in the Scottish League. Hearts travel to Hamilton Academicals and Raith Rovers will provide their home supporters with a classic opposition by a visit from Motherwell. Dundee United will accommodate Bo'ness in the Second Division and Arbroath will go to Clydebank.

BOOKIES' LOSS IN ENGLAND IS CLAIMED HEAVY

Betting Tax Held Responsible For Draining Resources of Racing Men

Bookmakers in England say they have had a bad year. Particularly in the closing days of the turf season they were losing heavily, according to their statements. After the recent Lancaster meeting it was announced that one well-known bookmaker had quit, saying he had already lost £50,000 on the season and did not intend to lose any more. Others say they have been badly shaken and declare they cannot stand a recession of such hammerings.

"I have no wish to strike an alarming note as to the financial state of the race course bookmakers as a whole, but I am satisfied that with very few exceptions, there is lacking that stability which must have characterized the race course bookmaker of the past," says Hotspur in The London Daily Telegraph. "The truth is no fresh money is coming in, as should be if the 'health' of the business is not to be impaired. I am sure the betting tax has done most serious harm and is still draining the resources of bookmakers and layers alike."

CRIPPLED BY DEBTS

"In addition, the bookmakers are crippled in ever-increasing degree by debts which, as every one knows, are not recoverable at law, while for that matter they cannot recover at law the tax that is due them and which they have passed on to the Government, but which cannot be collected from their clients. Thus, at the root of race course betting to-day there is that weakness which is affecting the whole structure of the betting business."

"Why should there be such stringency in the betting market generally on the race course? I see the same thing happening day after day. The numbers go into the frame, and before a bet has been wagered one less nimble than the rest—perhaps, I

should say with a spark of enterprise in him—shouts, 'Six-to-four the field.' PRICE IS CRAMPED

"Money, it will be observed, has not made the horse favorite. It is the opinion of the bookmaker that his price should be 5-to-4. Immediately the cry is taken up—'If some one steps in and takes sixty-to-forty runners rush madly in all directions to their employers, who are other bookmakers, and the price is cramped to 5 to 4. If nothing be done, if there be no snape at the uninviting bait, a layer

offers 7 to 4, and that is the cue for a general extension."

"It is admitted that on quite big fields only two or three horses are really backed for any money. Each might be a loser for the bookmaker in the event of the horse winning. He will tell you that he cannot be more liberal, and, in fact, must gamble rather than bet to figures because he cannot get any bets on outsiders."

"When first or second favorites win throughout an afternoon I can well understand that bookmakers are not winners. Would they get more busi-

ness by letting actual money invested determine what shall be favorite and what the price? They would, I think, get in more field money if they would deal more generously with those folk who would be induced to do business with prices of outsiders more attractive."

MUST GAMBLE

"As against the totalisator I am sure the bookmakers, when they are operating in opposition and having to succeed in that competition, will have to show the public it will be more profit-

able to back favorites with them than with the machine. In effect they will gamble against the favorites, since they are human and the 'total' is just a machine. The machine, it is claimed, can never lose, but as against that it cannot contract bad debts, which to the bookmakers represent an enormous and intolerable burden. I have no doubt, therefore, that its prices on outsiders that win will be longer than with the bookmakers. But, to be sure, all this remains to be seen. Every one, especially owners of race courses, are keenly awaiting the next move of the Board of Control."

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The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid of Garden City United

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Sanger; devotional exercises, Mrs. Brown; flower and visitation committee, Mrs. James; parsonage committee, Mrs. Aubel.

At the close of the meeting, at which seventeen were present, Mrs. Frost served tea, and a social hour was spent.

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Broadcasting on Eve of Startling Development, is Assertion

New York, Dec. 20.—Television is on the eve of being introduced to the people of United States and Canada in a practical way.

This statement was made today by James W. Garside, president of the De Forest Radio Company, and of the newly formed Jenkins Television Corporation.

"Great strides will be made in the use of television within the next ninety days," Mr. Garside said.

This assertion is at variance with the attitude of at least one or two other big corporations which have been experimenting with television. They have given the impression that television, as far as the general public is concerned, is many years away.

But Mr. Garside and his associates, including C. Francis Jenkins, inventor, who designed and constructed the first motion picture projector, think that the time is ripe for television to make its commercial. They believe it will be only a relatively short time before people all over the country will be viewing "radio movies" in their homes.

The Jenkins Television Corporation is getting to the starting tape in what may develop into an exciting commercial race for putting television inventions and devices into the home. This corporation was formed recently to manufacture television receivers and transmitters which will broadcast motion pictures direct into the home.

Negotiations are under way between the corporation and executives of a large motion picture chain. Mr. Garside admitted, for rights to broadcast movies by radio television to screens of motion picture theatres.

AT FEVER HEAT
The radio industry is reported to be feverishly working on television. It is said that television experiments are being worked out in the research laboratories and engineering departments of virtually all leading radio set manufacturers.

Television is hailed in some quarters as "the next step in radio development"—that, in fact, television is certain to prove a companion development of radio-broadcasting. That, of course, would open up an avenue for a tremendously important new business.

Radio broadcasting, for example, has expanded from a mere experiment in 1920, when KDKA of Pittsburgh broadcast election returns to less than 50,000 listeners who built their own sets, to the 50,000,000 listeners who received the election returns in 1928 on manufactured sets.

The radio industry has expanded from an annual business of less than \$2,000,000 prior to broadcasting to an annual business of \$600,000,000.

Langford

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Chandler and Miss Doris Chandler have left Atkins Road to reside in Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. McConnell and child, from Victoria, have come to live on the Atkins Road.

The service on Sunday, December 23 will be at 11 a.m. in St. Matthew's Church. On Christmas Day there will be an 8 o'clock celebration of the Holy Communion and also a similar service after a short morning service at 11 a.m.

On the Millstream Road ground, a soccer match will be played on Saturday afternoon, commencing at 2 p.m. between boys of the Colwood Athletic Club and the local junior boys' team.

Anyone willing to assist with the decorating of St. Matthew's Church for the Christmas services will be welcomed on Saturday afternoon. All gifts of holly, ivy, evergreens or flowers, should be sent to the church by 2:30 p.m.

Mr. F. A. Sparks, of St. Aidan's School, has returned to his home after spending a few days in Vancouver.

Owing to the school entertainment on Friday, the Children's Choir practice will be held on Thursday evening, at 6:30 in St. Matthew's Church.

Owing to the proximity of Christmas, the attendance at the monthly and annual meeting of the Women's Institute was not so large as usual. Mrs. James L. Brown presided, called upon the secretary, Mrs. E. H. Phillips, to read the minutes and correspondence.

The financial statement for the year was read and considered very satisfactory.

Thanks were passed to the auditors, Messrs. L. G. Wilkinson and R. Phillips, for their kindness in auditing the institute books.

The secretary's report of the year's activities at ten monthly meetings was read. It was noted addresses on education, home economics, public health and child welfare, demonstration of cake icing, and a talk on "A Visit to a Paper Mill."

The president's report included the holding of a Spring flower show, two garden parties, a jam shower, cuffs knitted, and Summer frocks made, a \$75 cash donation to the Queen Alexandra's Solarium, an open meeting, at which Miss Gildes was the speaker, a Halloween party for the children, assisted by the school teachers, card parties, and two pre-school clinics, held in the Institute Hall. Donations were given to the Crippled Children's Hospital, the Potato Show, the Local Council of Women, Children's Choir, and prizes were donated to the Flower Show.

An excellent report was given by Mrs. L. M. A. Savory, director and convenor of agriculture, in which it was noted that a cup had been donated to the Vancouver Island Horticultural Spring Flower Show, a local show held, and tulips distributed to members to encourage the growing of bulbs, to be shown at a Tulip Show in the Spring of 1929.

The president, secretary and directors were all accorded hearty thanks from the meeting for their excellent reports. A number of names being nominated for directors, the adjourned annual meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 8. Miss H. C. Kelly gave a concise, well-explained talk on the advantages that state health insurance would be to British Columbia. After this, the Institute endorsed the resolution advocating state health insurance, which had been sent to it.

The glove-making classes will be held

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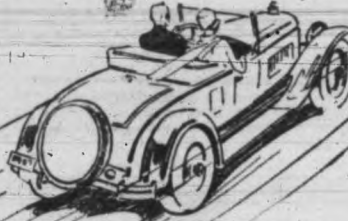
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about the middle of January, it was stated.

A welcome cup of tea was served at the conclusion of the meeting by the directors. The hall had been most artistically and seasonably decorated by institute friends on Saturday night and caused most favorable comment.

NEW WHARF FOR PENDER HARBOR

Construction of a new wharf at Irvine's Landing, Pender Harbor, is planned early in the new year by the Federal Department of Public Works. Bids have been called and will close with the department at Ottawa on January 7 next.

The contract will include the construction of a pile, bent and timber decking wharf, 70x130 feet; a shed on the wharf, 20x30 feet; an approach, 16x148 feet; a gangplank, 6x40 feet and the installation of a moveable slipway, 8x38 feet.

A truss approach to the existing float will be demolished and the float moved to a new position. The deck of the wharf will be eighteen feet above low water. Concrete will be required for post and brace footing and for the sill at the inner end of the approach. A fill of 940 cubic yards of crushed rock or approved gravel is specified to augment pile penetration at certain points.

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Miss R. Jones of Alpine Club
Addresses Natural History
Society

Miss R. Jones, one of the party of the Vancouver Island section of the Alpine Club of Canada, who camped in the Forbidden Plateau district last year, addressed a meeting of the Natural History Society this week. C. C. Pemberton presided. Miss Jones, who spoke on the natural history and geology of the plateau said, in part: "The plateau forms part of the upland region, which reaches its greatest elevation in the peaks of Strathcona Park. The plateau itself is a Cretaceous conglomerate, and rising from its base are a series of hills of 1,500 feet. The other boundaries are not so easily defined. The headwaters of four drainage systems are on the edges of the plateau."

FLORAL GROWTH
"The flora seems to be identical with that of Mt. Arrowsmith, the plateau being carpeted with heather, opening

out in places to meadow land, in which grow ladies' tresses, purple aster, a sweet pale violet, Parnassius grass, and many edgely and grasses. The higher peaks, such as Albert Edward, yielded yellowish mountain heath (cassiope mertensiana), the sweet yellow wallflower (vernum elatum), and the moss campion. The trees of the plateau are the hemlock, yellow cedar, white pine and balsam.

"Wild life is not abundant, except for deer, several flocks of Canada geese were seen grazing, and a photograph of a duck with her young, swimming on a quiet pool, was procured."

Pupils of James Bay Sunday School In Entertainment

The Connaught Seamen's Institute was the scene Friday evening of a Christmas entertainment given by the pupils of the James Bay branch of Christ Church Cathedral Sunday School. The elder children presented a short playlet, "The Potter's Dream," written by Donald A. Fraser, a local author. Hilda Thorne, Kathleen Creighton, Edith Davis, Nora Wilkins, Ida Stanfield, Jessie Berry, Thora Biddlecombe, Ava Bourget, Cora Kerkin and L. McLeod all acted their parts with understanding.

Class Four rendered two action songs "The Windmill" and "Dolly's Singing Lesson" very prettily.

The Irish Jig by Joan Fenick and Patsy Preston in costume; the Sailors' Hornpipe by Kathleen Creighton and Hilda Thorne; the Tap Dance by the

younger Creighton delighted the audience. Kathleen Torrens, the star dancer, rendered the Irish Jig and Dainty Miss with perfect grace and rhythm. Miss Jordan, danced the minuet with her pupil Kathleen Torrens.

Recitations by Jessie Berry, Edna Steer, Baby McLeod and songs by Ava Bourget and Thora Biddlecombe were appreciated for their clarity of diction. A new feature was the community singing of a dozen Christmas carols by the capacity audience and "Good King Wenceslas" characterized by Captain Brown, and Ida Stanfield closed the enjoyable feast of play, songs, recitation and merry roundelay.

Thanks are due to the Misses Jordan, the organizers, and the accompanist, Mrs. Langley and to the matron of the Seamen's Institute, Mrs. Rodway.

The children's Christmas party will take place at the institute on Thursday, December 27, at 4 p.m.

DISARMAMENT EFFORTS

Paris, Dec. 20—Efforts toward a reduction of world armaments, including naval forces, will be vigorously renewed by the League of Nations immediately after the inauguration of Herbert Hoover as President of the United States, provided the United States approves provisional plans which were formulated yesterday. The plans were drawn up at a meeting here between Dr. J. B. Louden, Minister of the Netherlands to France, who is president of the Preparatory Commission of the League, and Eric Colban, director of the League's disarmament section.

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Boneless Smoked Cottage Roast, per lb. 32c
Sweet Pickled Picnic Hams, per lb. 21c
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Swift's Premium Ham, per lb. 37c
Shamrock Brand Mild Cured Ham, per lb. 35c
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Sliced Corned Beef, per lb. 30c
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3 tins for \$0.36
Quaker Brand Early June Peas, No. 2 tin 12c
2 tins for \$0.24
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60 Dainty Rayon Silk Nightgowns
This little group of Dainty Rayon Silk Gift Gowns includes plain tailored styles, also with lace trimming. Colors are peach, Nile, apricot, mauve and sunni. Small, medium and large sizes. Friday Nine o'Clock Special Price. Each \$1.79

—Second Floor, HBC

40 Rayon Silk Pyjamas

Dainty Rayon Silk Pyjamas in peach, sunni, Nile and mauve, with lace trimmings on collar and pockets. A nice Christmas gift for the modern miss from her girl friends. 40 only to early morning shoppers. Friday Nine o'Clock Special Price. Each \$1.98

—Second Floor, HBC

Men's Fine Rayon and Lisle Half Hose

Smart check and clock effects in grey, blue and fawn shades. A fine sheer sock that will wear. All sizes 9 1/2 to 11 1/2. In gift boxes. Nine o'Clock Special Price. Each \$1.00

—Main Floor, HBC

Suede Shopping Bags

Regular \$3.25, for \$2.95

In all popular colors. This is the popular suede bag with the lightning fastener. It makes a most desirable Christmas gift. regular \$3.25. Friday Nine o'Clock Special price \$2.95

—Main Floor, HBC

Wall Mirrors at \$3.95

With 16x18-inch heavy plate mirror, and either picture or mirrored mirror in top portion. Attractively polychrome finish frame; size 19x29 inches over all; regular \$9.50. Friday Nine o'Clock Special price \$3.95

—Fourth Floor, HBC

Hudson's Bay Company

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"Where Good Clothes Cost Less"

Tuxedos

Ready for Yuletide Festivities

Exquisitely Tailored From Selected Materials—Rich in Quality

In the production of our Tuxedo Suits the finer details have been carefully studied so as to assure a perfect fit and finish.

"Club" Tuxedos

35.00

"Customized" Tuxedos, \$50.00

Silk Tuxedo Vests

Style is perfectly and skilfully embodied in material, cut and finish. Single and double-breasted models.

\$5.00 to \$10.00

—Main Floor, HBC



Christmas Cigars

Benson & Hedges Invincibles, 25c, at \$3.50
Benson & Hedges Alfredos, 25c, at \$3.50
Benson & Hedges Epicures, 25c, at \$3.50
Simons Statesman, in oak box, 50c, at \$5.00
Simons Roosevelt, in oak box, 50c, at \$5.00
Simons Dimples, in oak box, 50c, at \$5.00
Simons Dimples, 25c, at \$3.25
Simons Dimples, 10c, at \$1.25
Tuckett's Panatella, 25c, at \$3.00
Tuckett's Club Special, 25c, at \$3.00
Tuckett's Marguerites, 25c, at \$2.25
Tuckett's Sereno, 25c, at \$2.25
La Preferencia, Bull Dog, 10c, at \$1.00
Robert Burns Panatella, 25c, at \$2.25
Robert Burns Invincibles, 25c, at \$1.50
Ovido Club Selection, 25c, at \$3.00
Ovido Congress, 25c, at \$2.25
Simons Dimples, 10c, at \$1.00
Robert Burns Panatella, 10c, at \$0.90
Robert Burns Invincibles, 10c, at \$1.15
Tuckett's Marguerites, 10c, at \$1.45
Simons Roosevelt, 10c, at \$1.50
Tuckett's Marguerites, 10c, at \$1.00
Tuckett's Gainsboroughs, 10c, at \$0.50

Cigarettes in Gift Packages

HBC Special Virginia Cigarettes, 100c, at \$2.50
Boguslavsky's Cerise, No. 2, 25c, at \$1.25
Abdull Turkish, 50c, at \$2.50
Abdull Turkish, 100c, at \$5.00
Abdull Turkish, 50c, at \$1.75
Pall Mall, original size, plain and cork tips, 50c, at \$1.50
Pall Mall, King's size, 50c, at \$2.00
Herbert Tareyton, cork tips, 60c, at \$1.00
Herbert Tareyton, plain tips, 60c, at \$1.00
Benson & Hedges Small Virginia Cigarettes, 50c, at \$1.00
Benson & Hedges Turkish Cigarettes, 50c, at \$2.00
Players Cigarettes, 50c, at \$1.25
100c, at \$1.70
Millbank Cigarettes, 50c, at \$0.70
100c, at \$1.40
Turret Cigarettes, 50c, at \$0.60
100c, at \$1.10
Winchester Cigarettes, 50c, at \$1.00
Buckingham Cigarettes, 50c, at \$1.00
British Consul Cigarettes, 50c, at \$0.50
100c, at \$1.00
Melchior Cigarettes, 50c, at \$1.25
Virginia Oval Cigarettes, 100c, at \$2.00

Gift Tobaccos

HBC Imperial Mixture in 1-lb. humidors, \$3.50
HBC Imperial Mixture 1-lb. tins at \$3.00
HBC Imperial Mixture, 1/2-lb. tins at \$1.50
Herbert Tareyton, in 1-lb. glass jars at \$3.00
Piccadilly Mixture, in 1/2-lb. glass jars at \$1.50
Old Chum Tobacco, 1/2-lb. tins, at \$1.75
Ogden's Cut Plug, 1/2-lb. tins, 80c
T. & B. Myrtle Cut, 1/2-lb. tins, 85c
Buckingham Pipe Tobacco and Fine Cut, 1/2-lb. tins, 80c
Orinoco, cut fine, 1/2-lb. tins, 80c
Herbert Tareyton, 1/2-lb. tins, at \$1.50
Tuckett's Old Squire, in 1/2-lb. glass jars at \$1.25
HBC Cut Plug, 1/2-lb. tins, \$1.25
Fort Garry Smoking Mixture, 1-lb. tin, 80c
Fort Garry Smoking Mixture, fine cut, 1/2-lb. tins, \$1.00
Four Point Pipe of Cigarette Tobacco, 1/2-lb. tins, 80c

Gift Pipes

HBC Briar Pipes, fully guaranteed, at \$1.50
Dunhill Pipes, \$7.00 and \$9.00
Comroy's London Pipes, \$5.00
G.D. Pipes, \$2.00
Parker Pipes, \$2.00
Meerschaum Pipes, in case, \$5.00 and \$5.50

—Main Floor, HBC

Sundry Gifts for Smokers

Pocket lighter, from \$1.50
Leather Tobacco Pouches, button style, rubber lined, from \$2.25
Zipper Pouches, rubber lined, from \$1.50
Briar Cigarette Holder in case, Price \$1.00
Amber Cigarette Case and Lighter, Priced at \$3.95 and \$4.75
Bakelite Roto Cigarette Cabinet, Price \$5.50
Metal Cigarette Cases, from \$2.00

—Main Floor, HBC

CFCT To-morrow Evening

From 5.30 to 6.
Santa Claus will speak on
the Radio to the Kiddies.



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Store Open This Evening Until 9 o'Clock

Visit Our Gift Bazaar

Our Gift Bazaar on the second floor has proved most popular with the many seekers of gifts. Here are grouped together a most attractive assortment of pleasing articles, both useful and ornamental—suitable as gifts for men, women, boys and girls, and the baby, too. Avail yourself of the arrangement made for your convenience by making an early visit. You will find pleasure in this easy means of solving your Christmas problems. It is so simple with the three prices only: 50c, 75c and \$1.00.

—Second Floor, H B C

Practical Gifts in Children's Wear

Little Tot's Wool Jerseys at 98c.
Warm Little Wool Knit Jerseys with pointed collars. In dark heather, sand, blue, grey and navy. Sizes for 2 to 6 years, 98c.

Children's Cozy Gift Robes at \$1.79.

Made from a warm European cloth in assorted patterns and colors and trimmed with silk cord and girde. Sizes for ages 2 to 6 years. Price, \$1.79. Sizes for 8 to 16 years. Priced at \$2.98.

Little Tot's Gift Suits at \$1.98.

All Wool and Silk and Wool Two-piece Suits and Rompers in Saxe, rose, sand, rosewood and almond. Sizes for 1 to 3 years.

Girls' Raincoats at \$2.98 and \$3.95.

Durable Waterproof Coats in smart Raglan style. Made from a double-weight rubberized coating in green, red and blue. Sizes for 8 to 14 years, \$2.98. Also Girls' Belted Waterproof Coats in mauve, cerise, green and blue. Sizes for 4 to 15 years. Price, each, \$3.95.

—Second Floor, H B C



Gift Lingerie

Dainty Crepe de Chine Step-ins and Panties.

In pastel shades and lace trimmed. Price, \$2.98.

Dainty Silk Crepe de Chine Slips.

To go with her party frock. Choice of peach, apricot, white, mauve, Nile and sunni. With pleated front and dainty lace trimming. Price, \$3.98.

Crepe de Chine Nightgowns.

In several styles in all the pastel shades. Lace trimmed or V or round neck styles. Sizes 38 to 42. Price, \$4.95.

Brassiere and Step-in Gift Sets.

In beautiful flat crepe and silk crepe de Chine in tailored or lace-trimmed styles. Colors are Nile, peach, white, apricot, mauve and sunni. Also in combination colors. Price, \$4.95 and \$6.75.

—Second Floor, H B C

Luxurious Beacon Robes \$7.95 and \$8.95

Cozy Beacon Cloth of All-wool English Blanket Cloth Robes in sky, pink, sand and a host of gay figured and floral or leaf patterns on dark or light grounds. Each has a large satin-bound collar, silk girde and trimmings on pocket and cuffs. Sizes 36 to 44. In nice box for her Christmas gift. Priced at \$7.95 and \$8.95.

—Second Floor, H B C

Opera and Field Glasses

The Optical Department offers a splendid selection of high-grade Glasses, with powerful achromatic lenses and finished in leather or pearl bodies. Each in a case. Opera Glasses, Prices \$2.50 to \$8.00. Field and Marine Glasses, Prices \$8.00 and \$9.00. Jockey Club Glasses, Price \$5.85. Prism Binoculars, Prices \$22.50 to \$40.00.

—Optical Department, Mezzanine Floor, H B C

Charge Customers Kindly Note—You May Purchase Now and Pay in February

All purchases made to-morrow, Friday, and any day up to December 31, inclusive, will be charged to January accounts, payable on February 10.

Thousands of Gift Handkerchiefs At H B C Popular Prices



Boned Christmas Handkerchiefs for Children.

Two daintily colored Handkerchiefs in each pretty box. Handies are nicely embroidered in contrasting shades. Price, per box, 15c.

Novelty-Painted Crepe de Chine Handkerchiefs

Floral designs and smart scalloped borders with metallic edging. Extensive range of charming colors. Priced at each, 19c, 35c, 75c, and \$1.00.

Women's Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs.

With hand-embroidered initial and neat hemstitched borders. Three popular qualities. Prices, each, 25c, 30c and 35c.

Women's Lace-trimmed White Linen Handkerchiefs.

Net and Guipure Lace-edged Handkerchiefs in an excellent choice of beautiful patterns. Prices, 65c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75.

Women's Georgeanne Handkerchiefs.

New and charming Hand-painted Handkerchiefs in many pleasing color combinations. Extra size, 14 and 18 inches square. Price, each, \$1.50.

Women's White Linen Handkerchiefs.

Pure Hemstitched Linen Cambric Handkerchiefs. Price, each, 18c; 2 for 35c.

Exclusive Little Hankies in Novelty Presentation Boxes.

Three in a box. Daintily little handkerchiefs, exquisitely embroidered. This assortment includes white and colored lawn handkerchiefs in a broad selection of popular prices. Price, per box of three, \$1.00 and \$1.25.

Women's Belted Handkerchiefs at 3 for 50c.

Shown in stripes, broken checks, plaids and floral designs. Smart, practical little Hankies that launder perfectly. Specially priced at 3 for 50c.

—Main Floor, H B C

Our Staple Section a Treasure Ground For Gift Buyers

You can't go wrong in the Staple Section. Everything is useful, pleasing in appearance and, too, these are articles of which your friend cannot have too many.

Pure Linen Crash Table Cloths.

Regular \$1.39, for 98c.

Excellent Table Cloths for general use. Made from a fine linen crash with novelty bordered effects. Size 44x54 inches. Price, each, 98c.

Towel Sets; Values to \$2.50, for \$1.50.

All neatly boxed for Christmas giving. Sets of 2 towels, sets of 1 towel and 2 face cloths, sets of 1 bath towel, 1 face cloth and 1 guest towel. Finished with border effects in dainty color combinations. Friday price, per set, \$1.50.

Fancy Turkish Towels; Values to 98c, for 69c each.

Boxed for gift giving. In Jacquard weave with novelty borders in shades of rose, blue, lavender and gold. Price, each, 69c.

Novelty Linen Crash Towels at 25c Each.

For inexpensive and useful Christmas gifts you will find these ideal. Made from a fine linen crash with colored ends of rose, blue, green and gold. Friday Price, each, 25c.

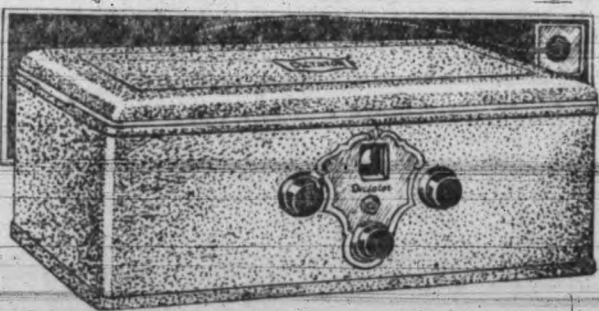
Embroidered Pillow Cases at \$1.25 a Pair.

Made from fine linen-finished cotton and neatly embroidered in many charming designs. Finished with hemstitched and scalloped ends. Size 44x33 inches. Friday Price, per pair, \$1.25.

Oyster-Linen Bridge or Tea Sets, \$1.98.

Cloth 36x36 inches and 4 Napkins. Made from a fine linen crash with colored embroidered effects in corners. A splendid offering. Price, \$1.98.

—Main Floor, H B C



H B C "Dictator"

All Electric Receiving Sets

Fifteen Just Received in
Time for Christmas ... **139.00**

The "Dictator" is a six-tube set, made exclusively to our exacting specifications, and is equal in value to many sets now selling at \$50.00 to \$100.00 more. It is completely batteryless and embodies every feature of radio which might be described as the last word. With seven Radiotron tubes.

Terms—\$20.00 Down, \$11.50 per Month

—Lower Main Floor, H B C



Slippers for All

The whole family must be equipped with warm Slippers for Christmas morning. The little ones are eager to get up early and the older people have to follow suit. Perhaps Santa Claus himself needs Slippers for the night.

Men's Serviceable Leather Slippers.

Made in fine tan kid. Styled in both Romeo and Everett styles with pliable extension soles and cushion insoles. Pair, \$4.75.

Men's Imported All-wool Bedroom Slippers.

In fancy plaid colors with plain and turndown cuffs. Combination of felt and leather soles. Price, per pair, \$2.75.

Men's Heavy Velvet Slippers.

In green and brown check and wool lined. Also black leather with wool lined flexible leather soles. Price, per pair, \$1.95.

Men's Warm Felt Slippers.

In dark check felt. Wool lined with leather soles. Price, per pair, 99c.

Boys' Strong All-leather Slippers.

In brown Morocco. Strong and serviceable.

Sizes 11 to 13. Per pair \$2.25.

Sizes 1 to 5. Per pair \$2.50.

Boys' Plaid Bedroom Slippers.

In imported all-wool, with felt and leather soles. Price, per pair, \$1.25.

Sizes 11 to 13. Per pair \$1.75.

Sizes 1 to 5. Per pair \$1.75.

Boys' Felt Slippers.

In colored suede leather. Brown, grey and red. Warm quilted lining, strong elk soles. Sizes 11 to 13. Per pair 99c.

Sizes 1 to 5. Per pair, \$1.49.

Boys' Felt Slippers.

In plaid and wool lined, with combination felt and leather soles.

Sizes 11 to 13. Per pair 95c.

Sizes 1 to 5. Per pair \$1.25.

Women's Fine Quality House Slippers.

Including fancy velvet in colors of blue, old rose and mauve. Also patent boudoir, satin quilted lined, with elk soles and medium heels. Per pair, \$2.95.

Artistic Wool and Felt Slippers.

In colors of old rose and fancy plaid. Saxe blue, camel and fuchsia. Felt lined and with flexible leather soles. Price, per pair, \$2.25.

Fancy Bedroom Slippers.

In materials of colored felt in cherry, old rose and grey, with turndown satin cuff. Also quilted satin in all colors with brocade velvet and trim cuffs. Price, per pair, \$1.95.

—Main Floor, H B C

Bath Crystals and Bath Fragrances

Deauville Bath Cubes, box of 12, at \$1.50.

Du Barry Bath Individuals, at \$1.00.

Three Flowers Individuals, at 50c.

Dalrose Bath Crystals, at 85c and \$1.50.

Dalrose Bath Cubes, 90c.

English Bath Crystals, large size bottle, at 85c.

Houbigant's Bath Tablets, \$2.00.

Houbigant's Bath Crystals, \$1.25.

Old English Lavender Bath Powder, \$1.50.

Yardley's Bath Tablets, box of 6, at 60c.

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Toys to Put Within the Reach of Santa Claus

Santa Claus keeps up with the spirit of the times. He knows what the children want; he knows what they whisper to him and what they write in their letters. Here are some of his suggestions.



Construction Aeroplanes

For the budding young engineer and aeronaut. That means every modern boy. Prices, \$5.75, \$9.75 and \$10.95.



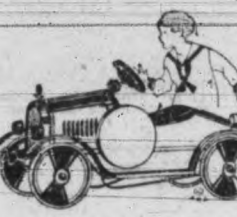
Meccano

A perennial source of absorbing interest to the active minded boy. Sets from No. 00 to 4X. Priced from \$1.00 to \$18.50.



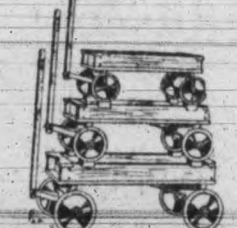
Tea Sets

With which the maiden will delight in playing hostess to you and to her dolls. Choice of enamel, china and aluminum. Priced at 95c to \$1.69.



Automobiles

In popular models, providing healthy and intelligent amusement for the boy. Priced from \$11.95 to \$45.00.



Wagons

Make it "fun" to go on an errand. These look so smart and "swagger" too. Open 36-inch Redwing Flyer, roller bearing. Price, \$6.95.

Others at from \$3.00 and up to \$11.25.

Toilette Gift Items for Men and Women

Military Brushes, extra fine quality, at per pair, \$6.98.

Military Brushes in Leather Folding Case, \$5.75.

Hair Brushes, Russian Bristle, each, \$2.95.

Whale Bone Brushes, fine quality, each, \$2.95.

Best Badger Shaving Brushes, at each, \$2.45.

Mason & Pearson Hair Brushes, at \$2.39.

French Ivory Brushes and Mirrors, including three-piece sets in rose, natural and blue pearl, at a 20% reduction.

—Main Floor, H B C

Santa's Treasure Chest

A source of wonder and interest to every small child. Visit Santa at his castle in Toytown and see what the treasure chest has for you.



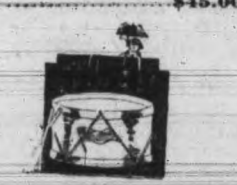
Tricycles

The means of safe, sane outdoor exercise for little fellows. Prices \$5.00 to \$19.00.



Electrical Trains

Unending joy and interest for the lad and fascinating to Dad, too. In sets from \$5.00 and to \$45.00.



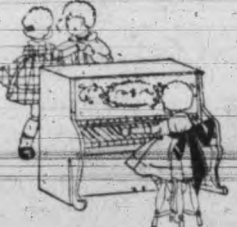
Drums

Are favorite toys with children who enjoy rhythm. Complete with drum stick. Priced at 75c to \$1.95.



Kiddie Kars

One of the health and happiness giving toys of this generation. Every child should have one. Prices, \$3.00 to \$4.95.



Pianos

For which both girls and boys often ask in their letters to Santa. Prices, 95c to \$2.75.



Dressed Dolls

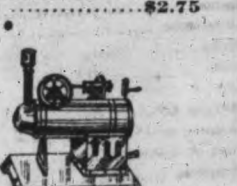
See our special Doll. Fully dressed and with sleeping eyes and curly hair. Price \$1.39.

Lots of other Dolls, from 40c to \$10.95.



Easel Blackboards

For the child who loves drawing and "playing school." Prices, 89c to \$2.75.



Steam Engines

Instructive and absorbing to the observant boy. Priced at 75c to \$5.50.



Dolls' Trunks

Which are sure to please the little girl who is busy with her doll family. Prices, \$1.39 and to \$4.50.



Doll Buggies

Give outdoor as well as indoor happiness to the wee girlie. Prices, \$2.25 to \$18.95.



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See our special Doll. Fully dressed and with sleeping eyes and curly hair. Price \$1.39.

Lots of other Dolls, from 40c to \$10.95.

Hundreds of Toys Marked Down to Half Price

For Friday, Saturday and Monday selling we have grouped hundreds of Toys to sell at just half their regular prices. The collection includes Sewing Sets, Building Blocks, Table Games, Carpet Sweepers, Mechanical Autos, Trains and Boats, Tool Sets, Painting Sets, and many others too numerous to mention. Shop early for the best choice.

—Toytown, Third Floor, H B C

VICTORIA, B.C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1928

TELEPHONE YOUR CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING TO 1090—WE WILL CHARGE IT

Victoria Daily Times

Advertising Phone No. 1090

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In computing the number of words in an advertisement, estimate groups of three or less figures as one word. Dollar marks and all abbreviations count as one word.

Advertisers who do not desire mail notices addressed to a box at The Times Office and forwarded to their private address. A charge of 10c is made for this service.

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Births, Marriages, Deaths

MARRIED

BRADLEY-GIVENS—At the home of the bride's parents, 107 Government Street, on Tuesday, Dec. 18, 1928, by the Rev. J. B. Patterson of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, James Bradley of Port Alberni, eldest son of William Bradley, Dunsmuir, County Tyrone, Ireland, to Verna M. Givens, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Givens of this city.

DIED

NICHOL—At the Royal Jubilee Hospital on December 19, Hon. Walter Cameron Nichol, aged sixty-two years. He is survived by his widow, at the family residence, 1719 Rockland Avenue, and sons, John Moore Nichol, and one daughter, Mrs. Rolfe Mainwaring. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

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Our years of experience enable us to carry out every detail of funeral arrangement in a manner which has given us the confidence of all who have had occasion to need our services.
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COMING EVENTS

1. DIGNOMISM—FINDING A HORSESHOE
Office Christmas Eve. Both sides of good luck. Dignomism, Ltd., Printers and Stationers, 1210 Government Street. Free instruction classes in Dignomism held in our store from 2 to 5 p.m.

2. BEAT THE WINTER BY ORDERING
your best bow, see Wood and Co. classification.

3. BASKETBALL AND DANCE AT WEST
Road Hall, Friday 21, Muir's orchestra. Everybody welcome.
1046-2-145

4. CLUBS GENERAL MEETING, THURSDAY
THURSDAY, 23, 8 p.m., at Navy Veterans.
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5. C.R.B. SOCIAL CLUB DANCE, ENPRESS
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NEWS IN BRIEF

Miss M. E. Creeden of Tillamook
School last night tendered her resig-
nation to the Saanich School Board,
having accepted a position with the
Victoria School Board. The resig-
nation was accepted with regret.

Canadian Pensioners' Association
Christmas bazaar in aid of soldiers'
orphans and children of disabled men
will be held at 8 p.m. to-mor-
row at association headquarters, 727
View Street. There will be a prize
(partner) wheel at 8:30 p.m.

Victoria bank clearings for the week
ending to-day show a gain of \$270,385
over the corresponding week of last
year, according to the figures issued by
the Clearing House at noon. The com-
parative totals are: Week ending to-day,
\$2,994,194. Same week last year,
\$2,723,809.

The Saanich School Board last night
decided that new pupils will not be
admitted to the schools until Febru-
ary 1. Entries must be filed with the
school principals on Friday, January
25. Parents are requested to bring
children to the school at the time the
entry is made.

The Parliament Buildings will pro-
vide a festive touch to the Christmas
season. The lights will all be turned
on Christmas eve, Christmas day and
the following day. The tree near the
centre of the grounds on Belleville
Street will be illuminated to represent
a huge Christmas tree.

Rev. Henry Knox of Emmanuel Baptist
Church will conduct a gospel service
at 8 o'clock to-night at the
Strangers' Rest, corner of Government
Street and Pandora Avenue. The
strangers' rest has recently been
renovated. All strangers and friends
are invited to attend.

The annual rally of the Presbyterian
Sunday schools of the city will be held
at St. Andrew's Church on New Year's
Day, where a one-hour service will be
held commencing at 11 o'clock. The
program is now being arranged.
Jesse Longfield will be in charge of the
music, and the address is to be given
by Rev. H. P. S. Luttrell of St. An-
drew's Church. There will be a roll
call of schools. The gallery of the
church will be reserved for parents and
others who wish to attend.

Warnings to the public not to ac-
cept any of nine Canadian National
money drafts, numbered from 195334
to 195342, inclusive, were issued to-
day by police and C.N.R. telegraph of-
ficials. These drafts, which are made
payable by the treasurer of the Cana-
dian National Telegraphs, were stolen
from the Vancouver office of the com-
pany last night, according to word re-
ceived by P. Blaisfield, local manager.
Anyone to whom one of these drafts is
presented is asked to detain the per-
son doing so and notify the police.

A number of appointments of Justice
of the Peace for the Province have
been made by the Government. These
include the following: C. Muir, J. Mc-
Donald, H. Jefferson, A. F. Daugherty,
C. Neider, G. H. Tait, H. S. Cleary, J.
S. Chapman and H. G. Harper. E. B.
Hance of Hanceville has been ap-
pointed a stipendiary magistrate. He
has also, with C. Muir of Lively, been
appointed a coroner. The appointment
of J. Barnard of Crofton as a Justice
of the Peace is made, while that of C.
W. Dunne is rescinded.

A special committee of the Junior
Chamber of Commerce, headed by John
L. Clay, has completed negotiations
with the City Council and the Depart-
ment of Public Works for the de-
coration and illumination of the huge tree
standing in grounds in front of the Parliament
Buildings fronting on Belleville Street.
For the second year the tree is to be
suitably lighted during the festive sea-
son. It will be remembered that in
some extent a controversy took place
last December, at which time the re-
corded history of this tree proved it to
be a Sequoia of the California Red-
wood species, and not a Douglas Fir
as thought by many Victorians.

Plunkett Makes Small Advance

The federal election recount by Judge
P. S. Lammman to-day showed a net
gain of three votes for D. B. Plunkett.
Conservative, on the morning's count.
In a number of instances wrongly-
credited ballots were found in the poll
clerk's tallies. At one time Mr. Plunkett
had gained an advantage of seven
votes, three ballots in his favor being
found in the Maclean envelope from
Ward Three. Judge P. S. Lammman also
allowed one Plunkett vote included
among those rejected in Ward Two.
These gains were reduced shortly be-
fore noon, when two Maclean ballots
were found in the Plunkett count from
Ward Three.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. Plunkett
won a point from those rejected, but
lost two votes when a poll total was
found in error.

Scrutiny of ballots cast in Ward Two
was commenced this morning, after
reports from Ward Two were a major
factor in the decision to hold the re-
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Friday, Saturday and Monday.
Departmental and other re-
stores are co-operating in the plan,
which follows the usual custom at
the Christmas season.

In view of the fact that the
Wednesday Half-holiday Act ex-
pressly provides for the stores re-
maining closed after 1 p.m. on the
day, the following Christmas, New
Year's and other holidays, several
of the larger stores are making
arrangements to remain
closed all Wednesday, to give their
staffs a rest after the holiday rush.
Stores may remain open on the
Wednesday afternoon following
New Year's Day, it is provided.

SEED GROWING AWARDS MADE BY ROTARIANS

Mrs. R. P. Butchart Presents
Prizes in Rotary Competition

Mrs. R. P. Butchart this afternoon
officiated at the presentation of awards
to competitors in the Rotary Club's
seed-growing competition for school
children, which took place at the
weekly luncheon of the club, at the
Empress Hotel, in the presence of many
guests.

Sidney Barnes of Lake Hill won the
Mrs. Butchart Cup for the second year
in succession, compiling the remark-
able score of 94½ points. Ralph Barnes
won the second prize with 94½ points.
Fred Musclove of Sidney won third
prize with 92 points, and also won the
district award for Sidney.

Other district prize-winners were:
Keating, Betty Young, Brentwood,
Kenneth Thompson, Metchoin, Harry
Hot, and Prospect Lake, Nell Duval.

DIPLOMAS AWARDED

Diplomas were awarded to the fol-
lowing: Jerry Archer, Sevnooka; Sylvia
Wright, Keating; Dorothy Wood, Keat-
ing; Gordon Pratt, Sidney; Maurice
Gorfield, Sidney; Stewart Anderson,
Keating; and Lily Hot, Metchoin.

The Rotary Club for district competi-
tions, held at the seed-growing com-
petitions had been very popular,
forty competitors being entered
compared with thirty last year. He ex-
tended thanks to the many work-
ers who aided in making the seed-
growing competitions successful and to
George Robinson for donation of the
seed supplied. The chairman, Mr.
Hon. William Atkinson, Minister of
Agriculture, congratulated the competi-
tors upon their interest in agriculture
and urged the wisdom of keeping seed
clean.

He told of poultry, swine and sheep
clubs organized by the Department of
Agriculture, and the shows held ex-
clusively for youthful exhibitors.

PAYS TRIBUTES

Edwin Tomlin congratulated Herbert
Anson upon his election as mayor,
and pointed out that the tribute "was
no lack of good." He paid tribute to
the successful administration of Mayor
Carl Pandey. Mr. Anson said he
hoped to prove an efficient mayor, and
Major Pandey said he hoped Mr. An-
son would be accorded similar suc-
cess to that which he had enjoyed
during his four years as mayor. "It is
a big job, but we have a big man for
it," he said.

J. C. M. Keith was roundly applauded
when President Anson announced
that he had just attained his
seventieth anniversary.

Overnight Entries At Tia Juana

First race—Six furlongs.		Fourth race—Mile and one-eighth.	
Agnate	103	Alice Loraine	104
Beattie	103	Seafarer	101
Bonny	103	Spadilla	101
Bonny	103	Quinine	104
Anna, Parke	101	Mil McCie	101
Oriontime	105	Tennessee	103
Davis Jr.	110	Pour Sixty	103
Common	103	Clapper	103
Queen Beas	103	Trappet	103
Al Hotfoot	103	Greenhills	103
Fleet Prince	103	Mount Elton	103
Rocky Ages	103	Root of America	111
Montello	103	Just Beau	111
Highest	103	Valley Joe	111
Red Pennant	103		
Battle On	115	Fifth race—Six furlongs.	
		Maria Blanche	103
		Ipok the Colt	103
		Privately	103
		Muskeeter	101
		Leo Lampe	103
		San Carlos	110
		Applescore	107
		Clutching	106
		Pute	103
		Thistle Glad	103
		Theo Fay	113
		Sixth race—Five and a half furlongs.	
		Kil Carney	103
		Pretty Poll	103
		Vision 11	103
		Richu	103
		Domesticated	111
		Wildrake	102
		Seventh race—Clubhouse course.	
		Sailor Maid	110
		Prospect	101
		Adolphus	104
		Fittner	103
		Golden Sweep	103
		Minlator	115
		Orimes	103
		Tangram	103
		Partola	103
		Oliver Dexter	103
		Seventeen Sixty	103
		Dr. Told You	112
		Brownie-Smith	107
		Shamrock	107
		Sanabar	103

BUILD NEW CHURCH ON PANDORA AVE.

Spurgin and Semeyn Prepar-
ing Plans For Central Bap-
tist Building

Two Stores to Be Erected on
View Street, East of Say-
ward Block

Erection of a new church in the city
is planned by the congregation of the
Central Baptist Church. It was an-
nounced to-day.

The church will be built on property
recently acquired on Pandora Avenue,
on the south side of the thoroughfare
between Blanshard and Quadra Streets.
The plans for the church structure
are being prepared by Architects K. B.
Spurgin and William J. Semeyn, with
offices in the Sayward Building.

VIEW STREET STORES
Messrs. Spurgin and Semeyn are also
designing two stores which will be built
by C. J. Carey, local tea merchant, and
Harte and Orme, furniture upholsterers,
on the north side of View Street, imme-
diately east of the Sayward Building.
The View Street building will be
23x30 ft. in area and will be one
story high, with another story at the
rear of one of the stores for warehouse
purposes.

The front of the building will be
finished in cast stone, and California
stucco.

BANQUET HALTS ON DEATH NEWS

Canadian Scottish Regiment
Shocked When Death of Hon.
W. C. Nichol Announced

The annual banquet of the 16th
Canadian Scottish was held last night
at the Armories, with Lieut.-Col. D. B.
Martyr, D.S.O., M.C., officer command-
ing, in the chair. The banquet was
brought to an abrupt close on the an-
nouncement of the death of Hon. W.
C. Nichol, honorary colonel of the
regiment, which came as a great shock
to those present.

Lieutenant-Governor R. R. Randolph
Bruce replied to the toast of the hon-
orary officers, complimenting the bat-
alion on its excellent showing during
the war. The toast was proposed by
Major Gillespie.

Other toasts were proposed, and
brief addresses made by the officers of
the regiment and their friends. His
Honour the Lieutenant-Governor was
of his feet when the chairman learned of
the sudden passing of the former
Lieutenant-Governor, and the pro-
gramme was brought to a stop.

The pipers were called in, and the
assembled guests stood in silent trib-
ute as the bagpipes skirled "Lochaber
To More," a Highland lament.

Two Women Among Chinese Taken In Raid Last Night

Twenty-five Chinese, including two
women, appeared in City Police Court
this morning to face charges of being
found in a common gaming house,
following a raid early this morning by
Chief of Police Fry and a squad of
officers on premises at 584½ Piggard
Street.

When arraigned the group of Chinese
asked for a remand to secure counsel
and the hearing was set for to-mor-
row. They have all been released on bail
of \$25 each.

The election of officers by the Ex-
celior Bible Class of the Fairfield United
Church, conducted this week, resulted
in the election of Gerald Murphy as
president; George Dwyer, vice-presi-
dent; Miss Olive Taylor, secretary-
treasurer; Miss Margaret Taylor, as-
sistant secretary-treasurer, and Harold
Green, teacher.

Christmas



At Christmas men and women lay
aside their daily tasks, the family
gather around, and with love and affection,
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OBITUARY

At St. Joseph's Hospital last night
the death occurred of Constance Dal-
ziel, wife of Henry Dalziel of 652 Gar-
bally Road. The late Mrs. Dalziel was
born in Victoria, fifty-six years ago,
and is survived by her husband, one
daughter, Miss E. M. Dalziel, at home,
four sons, J. W. E. F. E. K. and B. E.
Dalziel, all in Victoria, four sisters,
Mrs. F. Travenor, Mrs. M. Woodruff,
Mrs. M. Smith and Mrs. M. Shanks.
Her only brother, James Holness, all of
this city. The funeral will be held from
the B.C. Funeral Chapel on Saturday
at 2 o'clock. Interment will be made
in Ross Bay cemetery.

The remains of Mrs. Ruth Ann Ped-
dle were laid to rest yesterday after-
noon in the Royal Oak Burial Park,
the funeral taking place from Hay-
ward's B.C. Funeral Chapel at 2 o'clock.
Rev. A. deB. Owen officiated in the
presence of a large gathering of sym-
pathizing friends. The hymns sung
were "Lead, Kindly Light," and "Peace,
Perfect Peace." The following acted as
palbearers: Robert Jones, A. H. Ridg-
man, A. W. Ward, W. V. Peddle, W.
Lambeth and J. W. Harris.

There passed away at the family resi-
dence, 37 San Juan Avenue, on Thurs-
day morning, Joseph Owen Woodbury,
aged three years and three months, son
of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Woodbury. He
is mourned by his father and mother
and little brother, his grandfather and
grandmother, Mr. and Mrs. James L.
King, in Riverside, Cal., and grand-
father, Daniel Woodbury, in England.
Also a number of uncles and aunts.
The remains are resting at McCall
Brothers' Funeral Home. Announce-
ment of the funeral will be made later.

Funeral service for the late Abel
Rhodes, who died at St. Joseph's Hos-
pital on December 16, was held yester-
day afternoon from the Sands Funeral
Chapel. Many friends attended the
service, which was conducted by Rev.
Arthur deB. Owen. The hymn, "Abide
With Me" was sung, and Mrs. G. Reid
sang a solo, "Lead, Kindly Light." The

remains were forwarded on the night
boat for cremation in Vancouver.

The funeral of William Alfred De-
land Bolding, who passed away on De-
cember 16, was held yesterday morn-
ing from the Sands Funeral Chapel,
and at 11 o'clock service was held at
St. Andrew's Cathedral by Father E. M.
Scheelan. Relatives and many friends
were in attendance, and beautiful flow-
ers covered the casket. Interment was
made in Ross Bay Cemetery.

The death took place last evening at
the Royal Jubilee Hospital, after a
short illness, of Jean Doris Jewell, four-
months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs.
Henry Lester Jewell of 448 Superior
Street. Besides her parents, one brother,
Albert Jewell, survives. The remains
are resting at the Sands Funeral
Chapel where services will be held on
Saturday at 3:30. Rev. J. Hood officiat-
ing. Interment will be made in Ross
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PROGRESS MADE ON PROPOSAL

Port Development Plans Reviewed at City Conference Yesterday

Progress was made at the port development conference yesterday afternoon between the city industrial committee and J. P. Forde, district engineer for the Federal Department of Public Works, and W. A. Gossard, after some plain speaking on both sides.

Mr. Forde conceded that the raising of the parapet of the piers at Ogden Point, and their protection by corner dolphins and lining guards was desirable.

The committee conceded that the securing of final and fully authoritative data on the subject of its recommendations was necessary. Both parties to the conference parted with a clearer understanding of the proposals and an amicable decision to meet again on December 27, when the views of ship's pilots, shipping and transportation men will again be solicited.

COST NOT LARGE

Before leaving the conference Mr. Forde outlined tentative plans now under study for the future development of the Ogden Point. For the near future these included the raising of the parapet walls of the Ogden Point piers where necessary to throw back the seas in rough weather; the sinking of crooked piles in spring dolphins some thirty feet out from the entrance corners to the piers; and a study of the best method of lining the concrete pier walls with fenders or guards. This course, if found justified, would answer most criticisms of the present works that were founded on a knowledge of the subject. Estimated Mr. Forde. The cost would be little in excess of \$7,000, it was intimated.

For the future, the point of extending the eastern breakwater by 1,000 feet, and an alternative plan to construct a westerly breakwater out from the opposite side of the harbor to a distance of 2,000 feet were under study. There was a danger in the erection of breakwaters that they would set up current movements not anticipated, warned Mr. Forde, expressing the view that such major developments, which might cost over \$1,500,000, should wait until increased trade warranted such a move.

Raising the height of the Ogden Point piers he described as impracticable, owing to the presence of the elevator foundations on the lower level, and a needless cost of \$200,000 involved.

THIRD PIER UNNECESSARY

Mr. Forde could not agree with the city's suggestion that a third pier was necessary between the Ogden Point and the Rithet pier, and said so, after quoting figures for the tonnage handled at both sets of docks for the year 1922.

The figures showed that forty-one craft came to load lumber at Ogden Point, and that eighty-three vessels discharged an average of sixty tons each during the year. This gave a total of 125 days' use of one berth. The docks accommodated seven berths for 365 days. This showed, said Mr. Forde, that present accommodation was twenty times greater than its use.

At the Rithet piers, he said, there had been an average of one and a half vessels a day, using the docks for from one to two hours. If tie-ups had occurred there had been few and far between, and not unusual in port operations. An average of between 23,000 and 34,000 tons had been handled yearly for the last four years.

As to the expropriation of the Rithet piers by the Federal Government, or the Canadian National Railways, Mr. Forde said he was not prepared to express any view, but would report on this phase of the question in his general report on the whole case to Ottawa. The need for an inter-rail dock connection was bound up with the question, he stated, as the present Rithet piers would not support tracks or engines, and the shipping service by trucking of freight could not be obtained.

A NEW ANGLE

The district engineer drew a new note in the conference when he reminded the committee that the entire pier at Ogden Point had been leased to the Panama Pacific elevator interests for twenty-five years. The site was worth \$750,000, and its control had passed from the hands of the Canadian National to the lessee. It was a question how far the country should be asked to go to make pier improvements for private enterprise, he intimated, and applied this point also to the situation at the Rithet piers.

On behalf of the city, Alderman H. O. Litchfield stressed the desire of the committee of the council and the Chamber of Commerce, which had looked into the proposed pier extension taken to remedy defects complained about. The volume of complaint, he intimated, had been fairly general, and while there was room for a difference of opinion between experts as to what were the right measures of redress, there was still a substantial case to be met.

It was the policy of the Federal Government to promote the business of the country by the development of adequate ports on the Atlantic and Pacific slopes, and the chairman when Victoria should have its share of attention in that regard, he submitted.

LOOK AHEAD

To his mind, the right policy was that followed by Liverpool, Hull and other great shipping centres of Great Britain, where dock plans were developed far in advance of actual requirements, and trade impelled and encouraged by the presence of first-rate facilities, said the chairman.

Mr. Litchfield conceded that the industrial committee were to be considered as laymen in regard to having any exact knowledge of marine matters, and stated that the city would value highly the opinion of Mr. Forde as to what should be done, and how to do it.

Alderman E. S. Woodard and J. P. Macpherson supported the chairman throughout the discussion, and the conference closed on the amicable understanding that a further meeting would be held on Thursday in next week. At this second meeting the city is invited by Mr. Forde to produce any concrete information it can compile in the meantime.

Oyster Gives Sheller Pearl For Christmas

Peter Cook, oyster sheller, was speeding through for the Christmas trade a sack of fresh bivalves with his scalpel on the operating block in the window of the Olympia Oyster House, 1419 Broad Street, at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when out popped something round, gleaming and rich looking.

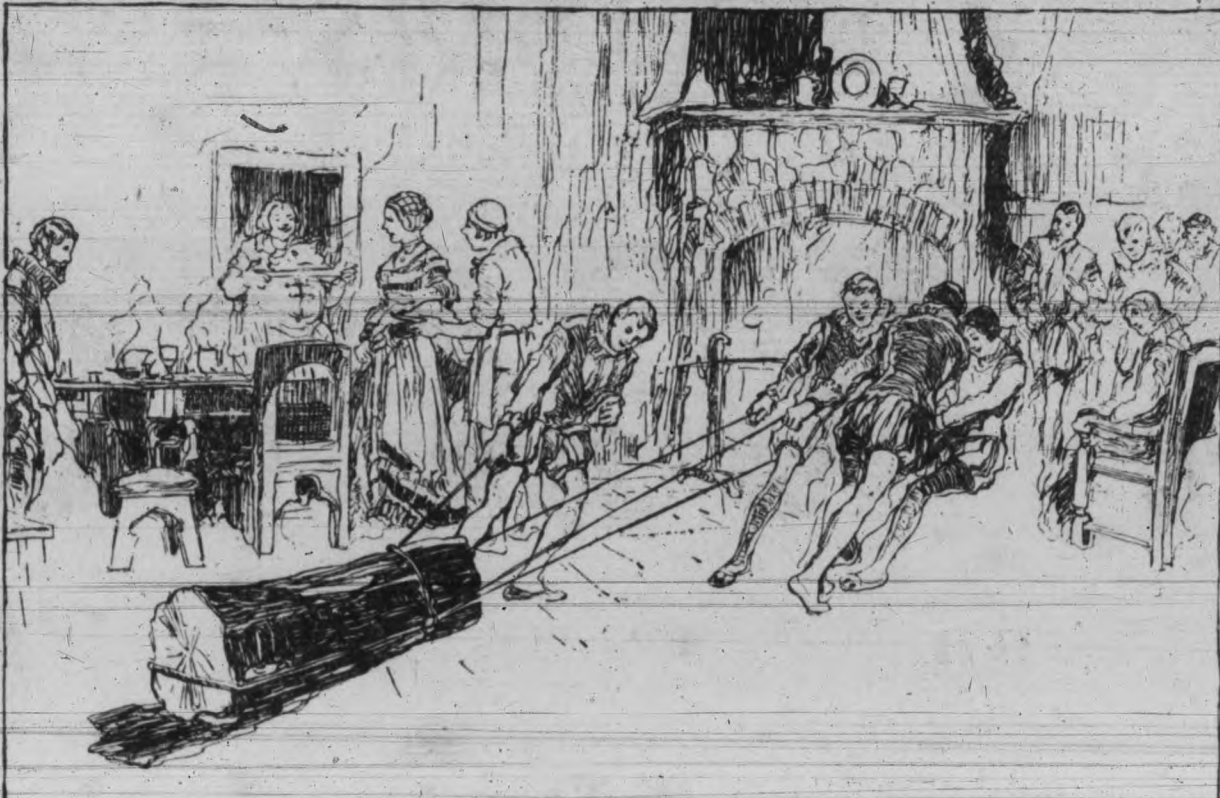
Peter's eyes also gleamed and he at once felt richer, when he picked the object up and found it to be a real pearl. He carefully put it away in a glass, and it will go to a jeweler to be valued.

"Discovery of pearls in our oysters here is something of a rarity," Mr. Cook said. "The last one we found was in 1910, and since then we have put through millions of oysters. The oyster which produced this valuable pearl was grown in Esquimalt harbor. From my experience in operating on them, it has been clear to me that the Esquimalt oyster would be a good pearl producer, and there is the possibility of developing an important pearl industry here by the artificial stimulation of pearl formation in these oysters. All that is necessary is slight operation, which is painless to the oyster, by which a grain of sand is injected into the bivalve, which then proceeds to coat it with its beautiful pearly substance."

EARTH SHOCKS RECORDED

Berkeley, Cal., Dec. 20.—V. C. Stetson, seismologist at the University of California, announced that a series of earthquakes lasting an hour and a half had been registered on the university seismograph yesterday. He estimated the centre of the disturbance as about 6,000 miles northeast of here.

HAULING IN THE YULE LOG



Medieval custom which will be revived with the staging of the Yuletide Festival at the Empress Hotel during the Christmas season

TRUSTEE LACKS QUALIFICATION

Saanich School Board Told A. E. Horner Not Legally Trustee

Legal opinion that Trustee A. E. Horner is disqualified to hold office on the Saanich School Board, the current year, was laid before the board at a special session held at the Municipal Hall. Trustee Horner attended but did not vote during the evening, after his right was challenged. The advice of the solicitors was based on omission of Mr. Horner to pay 1922 school taxes on all his properties before December 31 last.

The board was also advised that substantiation of charges that Trustee Horner had benefitted from the services of school employees would disqualify him from office.

HEAVY PENALTY

Mr. Horner would be liable to a penalty not exceeding \$500 under the Schools Act, and was in peril of action under the Criminal Code for breach of trust as a public officer, the solicitors stated.

No discussion took place upon the prime point raised by the municipal solicitors, but the board examined at length the allegations that Mr. Horner had used half an hour of the school carpenter's time for his private purpose.

Mr. Horner's denial of this charge resulted in adjournment of the meeting until next Saturday, to give the trustees opportunity to travel over the route taken by the workman when trucking material for Mr. Horner, to ascertain the time required for the service, which Mr. Horner protested took place before school hours.

POLICE OFFICER IS ARRESTED ON ROBBERY CHARGE

Green Bay, Wis., Dec. 19.—Eliot P. Delaney, a police officer, was arrested yesterday in connection with the robbery a week ago of the Farmers' Exchange Bank, from which \$50,000 was taken.

ECZEMA BROKE OUT IN PIMPLES

Had to Keep Hands Out of Water. Cuticura Heals.

"Eczema started with an irritation and soreness between my fingers. Later it broke out in small pimples which were red and full of water. I had to keep my hands out of water, and could not do my regular work. The itching and burning certainly kept me awake at night. A neighbor recommended Cuticura Soap and Ointment so I sent for a free sample. After using it I discovered the trouble was disappearing so I purchased more, and my hands were perfect after using one cake of Cuticura Soap and half a box of Cuticura Ointment." (Signed) Miss Mollie Hanna, Oxbow, Sask., Oct. 10, 1922.

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MAY AFFECT B.C. POWER

West Kootenay Company
Fears Gigantic Creston
Project

Possible obstacles in the way of the Kootenay Plains reclamation project, the largest reclamation scheme ever planned in British Columbia, appeared this week when the West Kootenay Power & Light Co., filed with Hon. P. P. Burden, Minister of Lands, a memorandum asking that no reclamation works be allowed to interfere with its power supply on the Kootenay River.

While the company did not file an actual protest against the proposed reclamation of the river-bank land around that it was gravely concerned over the possibility that this undertaking would affect the flow of the Kootenay, which, after passing through Kootenay Lake, is used to manufacture the southern interior's power supply at Bonington Falls.

DIVERT KOOTENAY RIVER
The reclamation plan, it was explained, involves this diversion of the Kootenay into a new channel before it enters the lake itself.

The effect of this gigantic engineering feat on the flow of the Kootenay below the lake, has not been determined yet, but the power company wants it fully considered before the Government gives its approval to any works around Creston.

Mr. Burden indicated that the Government would give careful consideration to the representations of the West Kootenay company, and other interests, which might be affected by the reclamation project.

HOLDS UP DECISION
No decision on the matter is being made pending the receipt of a third offer to reclaim Kootenay Plains. Already the Government has before it the plans of the Creston Reclamation Co. to reclaim 10,000 acres around Creston, and a project sponsored by United States interests involving the reclamation of 35,000 acres.

Brentwood

The West Saanich Women's Institute held its annual sale of work and turkey card party on Saturday at the Institute Hall, Brentwood. In the afternoon the various stalls did a brisk business, the fancy work being in charge of Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Limprecht, and the home-cooking and candy stall in charge of Mrs. W. G. Wallace and Mrs. Guy. Tea was served during the afternoon by Mrs. Heyworth, assisted by Mrs. Atkins.

The military five hundred tournament took place in the evening, twenty-nine tables being in play. The first prize was won by table twenty-nine with twenty-seven discs, the winners being Mrs. C. Atkins, Mrs. Anderson and Miss Jean Anderson, each receiving a turkey. Table two, with twenty-six discs, won second prize, the players being Miss Revercomb, Mr. Quayle, R. Crawford and F. Mitchell. Two tables tied for third prize with twenty-four discs. The following won the play-off: Miss E. Brooks, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Brandon and H. Buckle. The guessing contests were won as follows: Doll and bed, in charge of Miss Haddon, won by Miss Frances Creed, picture, in charge of Mrs. W. Watt, won by T. Peden; cake, in charge of Mrs. MacQueen, won by Mrs. Rochon.

A number of tombolas was given, among them being a live pig, which was won by Mrs. T. Peden. A chicken was won by Mrs. Hydes, and rabbit by Mr. Crawford. The institute wishes to thank all those who kindly donated prizes and tombolas, and those who helped in any way to make the affair such a success.

The last of the first series of card parties will be held at the Institute Hall on Wednesday evening.

Mrs. MacLoud formerly of Brentwood Bay was a visitor at the home of Mrs. W. Watt on Saturday.

A number of residents of the district was called out yesterday morning to aid in the rescue of a draft horse belonging to W. W. Duncan, which had fallen into a disused well on the Indian Reservation. Fortunately the well contained only a few feet of water, and after a few hours they managed to get the horse out. It was not much the worse for its experience, being able to walk home shortly afterwards.

Keating

The annual meeting of the Young People's Society of the South Saanich United Church was held in the church on Monday evening with a large attendance of members and visitors. The meeting opened with a devotional period, led by Miss Violet McNally. A. Hafer presided during the business meeting, and gave an excellent report on the year's work, which showed a very profitable and busy season. The treasurer's report was given by the secretary, Miss Ida Heyer, which proved very gratifying, donations being given to the church board and missionary maintenance fund. The election of officers took place and resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Albert Hafer, re-elected; vice-president, S. Stoddart, re-elected; secretary, Miss Ida Heyer, re-elected. Mrs. W. Bate was appointed as delegate to the Young People's Council. The social committee was chosen as follows: Misses C. MacNab, Jessie Rhode, Sadie Patterson and Blanch Sherring. A vote of thanks was extended to the officers for their work. The meeting then adjourned and the social committee, Misses A. Heyer and B. Smith, took charge. A number of games and contests were held, Miss Margaret Mitchell and Rev. Lees being the winner. Supper was served with many Christmas dainties. A huge Christmas tree was the centre of attraction, everyone present receiving a gift. A vote of thanks was extended to the social committee for the excellent time provided.

Frank Tanner, Central Saanich Road, has been visiting relatives in Seattle.

C. White, who has recently disposed of his butcher business at Saanichton, has left on a visit to his parents in England, accompanied by Mrs. White.

BARRIED FROM CANADA


Ottawa, Dec. 20.—The Polish language publication "Bice Boyz" (God's Whip) has been prohibited entry into Canada.

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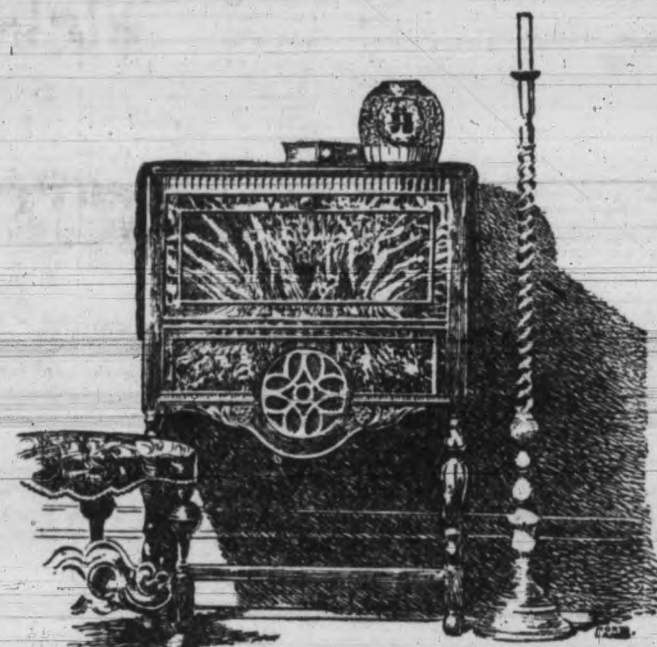
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NARROW ESCAPE FOR PASSENGERS

Bow of Freighter Penetrates Cabins of Adelaide, Injuring Two
Mayor-Elect Ansonb of Victoria Praises Crew

Vancouver, Dec. 20.—To four persons on board the Princess Adelaide, death came very close when the coastwise passenger liner was in collision with the steamer Hampshire yesterday. The steel bow of the freighter ploughed into the stern of the passenger liner, and the latter was thrown into the air. The collision occurred in the Strait of Juan de Fuca, near the mouth of the Columbia river. The Adelaide was bound for Seattle, and the Hampshire was bound for Tacoma. The collision occurred at about 10 p.m. The Adelaide was damaged, and two passengers were injured. The Hampshire was also damaged. The crew of the Adelaide was praised for their quick action in getting the ship out of the water. The mayor-elect of Victoria, Mr. Ansonb, praised the crew of the Adelaide for their quick action in getting the ship out of the water.

LOOMS OUT OF FOG
Mrs. McCurdy told the story. "Mr. Haines was looking out of the porthole," she said. "He saw the bow of the ship that hit us come out of the fog. He gave a cry that was getting pretty close to us, and we were all at once it struck us, and there was a crashing grinding noise, and the steamer seemed to crumple."

The bow of the Hampshire penetrated ten feet into the side of the Adelaide. "We were covered in debris," Mrs. McCurdy went on. "But we managed to crawl out. People helped us. Where the cabin had been there was a big hole and the water looked awfully close to us."

"WE'RE LUCKY"
Examinations of Mr. Haines showed that five of his ribs were cracked or broken, and he was in severe pain. However, when he was carried off the ship on a stretcher, he said to Mr. McCurdy Collins: "We're the luckiest fellows in the world to be alive."

Meantime, in the adjoining cabin, Purser MacLachlan had also been injured. He was taken to the hospital. The ship was towed to the wharf, and the passengers were taken ashore. The ship was damaged, and the crew was praised for their quick action in getting the ship out of the water.

Extend Time For Children's Radio Contest One Week
Auntie Babe, the children's friend at CFCT, stated to-day that so much interest has been aroused over the Christmas contest for the children, that the time limit of one week has been extended one week, making the closing day for entries a week from to-day. A great many children have entered, and the contest is very popular.

A round faced old gentleman wearing the ruddy smile that warms the hearts of little children—Santa Claus himself—will be present at the studio of CFCT tomorrow evening during the weekly half-hour that is devoted to boys and girls. Santa Claus will speak to the kiddies between 5.30 and 6 o'clock. In company with Auntie Babe, the famous character known as "The Story Lady of CFCT."

Labor Unions In Great Britain Have 4,900,000 Members
London, Dec. 20. (Canadian Press Cable).—The aggregate membership of the trades union in Great Britain is 4,900,000, or a decrease of more than five per cent from last year, it is reported. Since 1920, the peak year, there has been a drop of forty-one per cent, but compared with 1913 the membership shows an increase of nineteen per cent. The only groups showing material increases are those covering national and local government services, such as teaching.

Cornell Law School Has Given \$1,500,000
Ithaca, N.Y., Dec. 20.—Myron C. Taylor, of the United States Steel Corporation, has given \$1,500,000 to Cornell University for building a new law school.

Patent Medicine Produces Wealth
Los Angeles, Dec. 20.—"Doctor" H. L. Musick, who lives in a modest home here, has sold \$7,000,000 worth of his "Wonder Remedy" as a package in fourteen years, according to testimony he gave in municipal court here yesterday.

Musick is charged with violating the Medical and Pharmacy Act of California.

TO-DAY'S RACING RESULTS
Tia Juana, Dec. 20.—To-day's racing results follow:
First race—1. Louis Rubenstein, 2.00; 2. Frank Sumpter, 2.00; 3. Knighthood, 2.00. Time, 1:07.4-5.
Second race—1. Rock of Ages, 2.00; 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54. 55. 56. 57. 58. 59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. 83. 84. 85. 86. 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98. 99. 100. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105. 106. 107. 108. 109. 110. 111. 112. 113. 114. 115. 116. 117. 118. 119. 120. 121. 122. 123. 124. 125. 126. 127. 128. 129. 130. 131. 132. 133. 134. 135. 136. 137. 138. 139. 140. 141. 142. 143. 144. 145. 146. 147. 148. 149. 150. 151. 152. 153. 154. 155. 156. 157. 158. 159. 160. 161. 162. 163. 164. 165. 166. 167. 168. 169. 170. 171. 172. 173. 174. 175. 176. 177. 178. 179. 180. 181. 182. 183. 184. 185. 186. 187. 188. 189. 190. 191. 192. 193. 194. 195. 196. 197. 198. 199. 200. 201. 202. 203. 204. 205. 206. 207. 208. 209. 210. 211. 212. 213. 214. 215. 216. 217. 218. 219. 220. 221. 222. 223. 224. 225. 226. 227. 228. 229. 230. 231. 232. 233. 234. 235. 236. 237. 238. 239. 240. 241. 242. 243. 244. 245. 246. 247. 248. 249. 250. 251. 252. 253. 254. 255. 256. 257. 258. 259. 260. 261. 262. 263. 264. 265. 266. 267. 268. 269. 270. 271. 272. 273. 274. 275. 276. 277. 278. 279. 280. 281. 282. 283. 284. 285. 286. 287. 288. 289. 290. 291. 292. 293. 294. 295. 296. 297. 298. 299. 300. 301. 302. 303. 304. 305. 306. 307. 308. 309. 310. 311. 312. 313. 314. 315. 316. 317. 318. 319. 320. 321. 322. 323. 324. 325. 326. 327. 328. 329. 330. 331. 332. 333. 334. 335. 336. 337. 338. 339. 340. 341. 342. 343. 344. 345. 346. 347. 348. 349. 350. 351. 352. 353. 354. 355. 356. 357. 358. 359. 360. 361. 362. 363. 364. 365. 366. 367. 368. 369. 370. 371. 372. 373. 374. 375. 376. 377. 378. 379. 380. 381. 382. 383. 384. 385. 386. 387. 388. 389. 390. 391. 392. 393. 394. 395. 396. 397. 398. 399. 400. 401. 402. 403. 404. 405. 406. 407. 408. 409. 410. 411. 412. 413. 414. 415. 416. 417. 418. 419. 420. 421. 422. 423. 424. 425. 426. 427. 428. 429. 430. 431. 432. 433. 434. 435. 436. 437. 438. 439. 440. 441. 442. 443. 444. 445. 446. 447. 448. 449. 450. 451. 452. 453. 454. 455. 456. 457. 458. 459. 460. 461. 462. 463. 464. 465. 466. 467. 468. 469. 470. 471. 472. 473. 474. 475. 476. 477. 478. 479. 480. 481. 482. 483. 484. 485. 486. 487. 488. 489. 490. 491. 492. 493. 494. 495. 496. 497. 498. 499. 500. 501. 502. 503. 504. 505. 506. 507. 508. 509. 510. 511. 512. 513. 514. 515. 516. 517. 518. 519. 520. 521. 522. 523. 524. 525. 526. 527. 528. 529. 530. 531. 532. 533. 534. 535. 536. 537. 538. 539. 540. 541. 542. 543. 544. 545. 546. 547. 548. 549. 550. 551. 552. 553. 554. 555. 556. 557. 558. 559. 560. 561. 562. 563. 564. 565. 566. 567. 568. 569. 570. 571. 572. 573. 574. 575. 576. 577. 578. 579. 580. 581. 582. 583. 584. 585. 586. 587. 588. 589. 590. 591. 592. 593. 594. 595. 596. 597. 598. 599. 600. 601. 602. 603. 604. 605. 606. 607. 608. 609. 610. 611. 612. 613. 614. 615. 616. 617. 618. 619. 620. 621. 622. 623. 624. 625. 626. 627. 628. 629. 630. 631. 632. 633. 634. 635. 636. 637. 638. 639. 640. 641. 642. 643. 644. 645. 646. 647. 648. 649. 650. 651. 652. 653. 654. 655. 656. 657. 658. 659. 660. 661. 662. 663. 664. 665. 666. 667. 668. 669. 670. 671. 672. 673. 674. 675. 676. 677. 678. 679. 680. 681. 682. 683. 684. 685. 686. 687. 688. 689. 690. 691. 692. 693. 694. 695. 696. 697. 698. 699. 700. 701. 702. 703. 704. 705. 706. 707. 708. 709. 710. 711. 712. 713. 714. 715. 716. 717. 718. 719. 720. 721. 722. 723. 724. 725. 726. 727. 728. 729. 730. 731. 732. 733. 734. 735. 736. 737. 738. 739. 740. 741. 742. 743. 744. 745. 746. 747. 748. 749. 750. 751. 752. 753. 754. 755. 756. 757. 758. 759. 760. 761. 762. 763. 764. 765. 766. 767. 768. 769. 770. 771. 772. 773. 774. 775. 776. 777. 778. 779. 780. 781. 782. 783. 784. 785. 786. 787. 788. 789. 790. 791. 792. 793. 794. 795. 796. 797. 798. 799. 800. 801. 802. 803. 804. 805. 806. 807. 808. 809. 810. 811. 812. 813. 814. 815. 816. 817. 818. 819. 820. 821. 822. 823. 824. 825. 826. 827. 828. 829. 830. 831. 832. 833. 834. 835. 836. 837. 838. 839. 840. 841. 842. 843. 844. 845. 846. 847. 848. 849. 850. 851. 852. 853. 854. 855. 856. 857. 858. 859. 860. 861. 862. 863. 864. 865. 866. 867. 868. 869. 870. 871. 872. 873. 874. 875. 876. 877. 878. 879. 880. 881. 882. 883. 884. 885. 886. 887. 888. 889. 890. 891. 892. 893. 894. 895. 896. 897. 898. 899. 900. 901. 902. 903. 904. 905. 906. 907. 908. 909. 910. 911. 912. 913. 914. 915. 916. 917. 918. 919. 920. 921. 922. 923. 924. 925. 926. 927. 928. 929. 930. 931. 932. 933. 934. 935. 936. 937. 938. 939. 940. 941. 942. 943. 944. 945. 946. 947. 948. 949. 950. 951. 952. 953. 954. 955. 956. 957. 958. 959. 960. 961. 962. 963. 964. 965. 966. 967. 968. 969. 970. 971. 972. 973. 974. 975. 976. 977. 978. 979. 980. 981. 982. 983. 984. 985. 986. 987. 988. 989. 990. 991. 992. 993. 994. 995. 996. 997. 998. 999. 1000.

"GIVE A JOB"

The "Give a Job" slogan of the Employment Service of Canada, Victoria branch, is meeting a willing response from the public, it was stated at the offices of the bureau to-day. Victoria and district experienced a year of brisk development which benefited many lines of employment, until the seasonal closing down of some occupations caused the usual lay-off that comes at this season of the year. This gap occurs annually and much of the slack is taken up by the work created through Christmas preparations. It is expected that cutting down unemployment days is a community effort which benefits all, and to this end the bureau is working hard to get jobs for those who seek the extra work to round out their Christmas budgets. Telephone 184 will place householders in touch with the bureau.

CONGREGATION IS ESTABLISHED

Vancouver, Dec. 20.—The "New Presbyterian" congregation which has broken away from the Central Presbyterian Church here to follow the former pastor, Rev. S. Robertson Orr, recently declared "unfructified" by a commission of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, met last night in the Women's Building on Thurlow Street to establish itself as a separate Presbyterian congregation. The members deposited on the table their certificates as Presbyterians in good standing to establish that they had a lawful right to form a Presbyterian congregation. That was done at the beginning of the meeting. They then adopted the "protest" in the ordinary way—a document of three pages, based on the principle sustained by the British Bishops in June, 1904. This principle was that the church had not, either inherently as a church or in consequence of any terms of its constitution, any power to alter that which was the foundation of its constitution as an independent body.

ROCK GAS CONTROL IS BOUGHT HERE

Victoria Firm Shows Progressiveness in Acquiring B.C. Company

H. E. Boorman, managing director of the B.C. Bond Corporation, to-day announced that control of the B.C. Rock Gas Company Limited, of Vancouver, has been bought by the B.C. Bond of Victoria. The Vancouver Island Rock Gas Distributors operating in Victoria, is an agency of the Vancouver company. "These public utility companies are building up a business at a rapid rate," Mr. Boorman said. "Owing to the nature of Rock Gas, they do not compete with the local gas companies in any way, as installations are made where there are no existing pipe lines. The gas is delivered to the consumer in tanks and renewed. Two connected tanks are supplied and when one is empty another is delivered on telephone call, so that there is always a full tank on the premises. Mr. Boorman said this new method of distributing gas by having it condensed in cylinders has proved efficient and economical. It is non-explosive, does not tarnish, and if there should be a leak, is non-explosive. The company under its new control will develop the field from here up to Island to Nanaimo, the gas being made available for cooking, lighting, welding, refrigeration and other purposes."

Vancouver Ferry Boat Damaged In Mainland Harbor

Vancouver, Dec. 20.—Colliding with a scow in tow of the tug Euxine Mac, No. 4 ferry of the West Vancouver Ferry Co. was damaged at 9.30 last night. The collision happened about half a mile off the West Vancouver dock, English Bay, to which the ferry was bound from Vancouver with a dozen passengers. None were hurt. Three of four windows of the ferry's cabin were broken and her guard rail was smashed. The damage will necessitate a four-day layoff of the boat.

Test Plane Refuels In Air

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 20.—Two hundred gallons of gasoline were transferred to the United States army tri-motored P-12 biplane yesterday. The tri-motored P-12, which was refueled in flight, departed for Midland, Texas, where the big plane will be refueled again on its flight to the California coast, where it will start an endurance flight which it is hoped will last ten days.

TEN DEATHS IN FIRE IN INDIA

Karachi, India, Dec. 20.—Ten persons were killed and two seriously injured in a fire which destroyed a two-story building here to-day. The fire, which originated in an oil stove, caused the building to collapse, three women, four men and three boys being engulfed.

English Squash Champion Winner \$40,000 Fire At Lamont, Alberta

Lamont, Alta., Dec. 20.—Damage estimated at approximately \$40,000 was done by a fire which destroyed a block of three business buildings here early to-day.

B.C. MARINER CROSSES BAR

Vancouver, Dec. 20.—The death occurred this morning of Capt. James H. Stewart, one of the best known shipmen of British Columbia. He suffered a stroke on December 15.

Captain Stewart was in his seventy-third year, and had lived in Vancouver since November, 1910. He was born at Buckie, Banffshire, Scotland, and went to sea at an early age, serving his apprenticeship in sail and rising to command of windjammers before he went on the bridge of steamers. He was a thorough seaman, and was often called upon to act as a nautical assessor at inquiries into shipping accidents. He held an extra-mariner's certificate and was also an officer of the Royal Naval Reserve.

SCHOOL CONCERTS PLANNED TO-NIGHT

Closing Exercises at City Schools, With Friday as Last School Day

Some 5,975 students in Victoria Schools will hold Saturday as the first day of the Christmas holidays. Victoria College, with 271 students in first and second years, will close to-day, with plans for a dance to be held on Friday night. The High School, with 1,322 students, closes on Friday, as will the nineteen graded schools in the city, with a total roster of 4,675 students. Closing exercises are being held at most of the schools this week, though some schools held their closing festivities by way of presentations at the end of November. The Margaret Jenkins School will hold a concert to-night in the school auditorium, commencing at 8 p.m. Sir James Douglas School will hold its Christmas concert in the High School auditorium on Friday evening, commencing at 8 p.m. The Girls' Central School held its closing exercises at 2.15 p.m. to-day, with a large attendance of parents and friends of the children. The George Jay School started its closing ceremonies yesterday and will continue to-day, while other arrangements are being made at all save the primary schools. Two weeks' holidays will be enjoyed by the students before the re-opening of the schools for the Spring term.

JUNIOR SOCCER DRAW ANNOUNCED

Matches in First Two Rounds of the Provincial Cup Competition Released

Vancouver, Dec. 20.—At a meeting of the B.C. Junior Football Association held at the Victoria City Junior Y.M.C.A. on Monday, the draw for the first two rounds of the Provincial Cup competition was made. The draw for Vancouver Island is as follows: First round—Victoria Y.M.C.A. vs. James Island, Victoria City Junior Y.M.C.A. vs. Oaklands and Bapco, byes. Second round—Esquimalt vs. James Island vs. Bapco, Victoria City Y.M.C.A. vs. Oaklands. First round (mid-Island)—Park Rangers vs. Duncan, Extension vs. South End, Ladysmith and Eagles, byes. Second round—Park Rangers or Duncan vs. Extension or South End, Eagles vs. Ladysmith. All games to be played and decided by January 27.

Duke of Gloucester Visitor at Madeira

Punchal, Island of Madeira, Dec. 20.—The Duke of Gloucester, with the Duke of Gloucester aboard, arrived here at 7 o'clock this morning and sailed again at 11.15. The Duke of Gloucester, who is on his way home to London, was looking fit and well when he came ashore from the steamship for a brief experience on land after the long voyage from Capetown. He was conducted on a short motor trip.

Nickel Merger Is Approved

New York, Dec. 20.—Directors of the International Nickel Company of Canada Ltd. to-day voted for an exchange of stock with the Mond Nickel Company Ltd., shareholders, in a plan to place control of ninety per cent of the world nickel supply in the International Nickel Company's hands.

PRINCE GEORGE HAS BIRTHDAY

Aboard Steamship Berengaria, Dec. 20.—Prince George, youngest son of King George and Queen Mary, to-day quietly celebrated the twenty-sixth anniversary of his birth as he was traveling to his father's bedside in London. The ship's cooks prepared a birthday cake as a surprise gift, in the Prince. Apart from an early morning sprint around the deck, the Prince spent most of the day quietly reading. The Berengaria was experiencing a remarkable spell of Atlantic weather, with hardly a ripple on the surface of the sea.

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New Trial is Given Albert Westgate

Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—The shadow of death that had hung over Albert Westgate since he was sentenced to be hanged for the alleged murder of a Jewish Canadian, was dispelled, at least temporarily, to-day by a judgment of the Manitoba Court of Appeal, which granted Westgate a new trial. On the ground that the jury to which Westgate's fate was entrusted was not a proper tribunal, the appeal body unanimously acceded to the appeal entered by the accused's counsel, who had pleaded for a new hearing on the ground of alleged mental deficiency of one of the jurors.

J. Hartley Manners Dies in New York

New York, Dec. 20.—J. Hartley Manners, playwright and librettist of Lorette Taylor, actress, died here last night. He was fifty-eight years of age. He was native of London, England, and was born August 19, 1870. His best known play was "Peg o' My Heart."

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WELCOME NEWS
This indication of steady if small gain for the King, after cheering news for the public, while in palace circles there was an air of greater optimism, although it has been repeatedly made clear that anxiety must continue until the patient has gained sufficient strength to convince his physicians he is able to carry through to recovery. A further consultation at the palace this morning lasted rather longer than usual. Sir Stanley Hewitt and Lord Dawson of Penn, the King's regular physicians, left the palace before eight and returned with three other doctors who have been attending His Majesty for a further consultation this afternoon. These were Sir Hugh Riggby, the noted surgeon, who has been in steady attendance since the operation of December 12, Sir Stanley Hewitt, Sir E. Farquhar Buzzard.

SERIES OF BLASTS WRECKS GAS MAINS AND CAUSES FIRES IN CENTRAL LONDON

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ston at the base of the building, which shook like tissue paper. A column of smoke rose to a height of thirty or forty feet after the first explosion. The residents of nearby dwellings dashed into the streets and fire engines appeared from every direction. Their services were not greatly needed and they soon departed. WORKMAN RESCUED
There was much confusion as to exactly what had happened when the workman entered the manhole where the original explosion took place. There was a sudden scream, a spurt of flame and a terrific explosion. The workman struggled from the manhole with his clothing afire, but he was quickly rescued and taken to a hospital. A horse was killed and a taxicab turned over, its driver being taken from the shattered vehicle to a hospital. A greengrocer's cart carrying palm trees was overturned and the branches of the palms snapped by the detonation. Fire brigades played their hoses on flames shooting from one spot in the street, while the gas company's emergency crew, wearing gas masks, worked vigorously on the mains. Eye-witnesses expressed astonishment that the casualties had not been worse. The fumes of gas were still drifting through the district this afternoon and traffic was diverted from the affected area. Those who were injured suffered from shock and some times and minor injuries to their limbs. NARROW ESCAPE
One of the most remarkable escapes was in a house on High Street. A manhole cover weighing several hundred pounds was blown sixty or seventy feet in the air, crashed through the roof of the house and through a bed where a man was lying, and down into the room below. E. Robertson, occupant of the bed in the upper room, said he had heard an alarm clock buzzing away and had rolled over "to stop its row," when the manhole cover tore through the part of the bed on which he had just been lying.

CITY APPEALS; TO RESIDE HERE

P. L. Naismith of C.P.R. Natural Resources Department of Calgary to Retire

"This city appeals to me so much that I have decided to come here to live," said P. L. Naismith, manager of the Natural Resources Department of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Calgary, in discussing the advantages of Victoria as a residential city with a representative of The Times at the Empress Hotel. "I have bought a house here and intend to bring my family here to reside permanently early in the new year," added Mr. Naismith, who is about to retire after lengthy service with the company. He stated that he was leaving the city to-day for Calgary to attend a meeting of the directors of his department and would spend the Christmas holidays there, returning to Victoria shortly after New Year's. Mr. Naismith and his family have been holidaying at the Empress Hotel for some weeks.

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CHAMBER AWAITING RETURN OF TOLMIE TO URGE WEST COAST ROAD BE CONTINUED

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While development of the West Coast and the great territory adjacent, rich in timber and minerals, had been before the old Board of Trade and the Chamber of Commerce for many years, the first big drive for a West Coast road came after a tour of the West Coast was made by members of the Chamber of Commerce and representatives of other business organizations of Victoria in August, 1923. A wealth of material was gathered on this occasion to strengthen the conviction that a West Coast road would link a new world to Victoria, open up the development of great resources for the benefit of the whole of British Columbia and create the establishment of scores of important industries. At every point they called at settlers' pre-arranged homes urging the Chamber to use its influence towards the construction of the road. An ambition for a West Coast road was turned into a direct objective as a result of that trip. DEVELOPMENT HELD BACK
The dream of the

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TO-DAY'S GRAIN MARKETS

(By Branson, Brown & Co. Ltd.)

Winnipeg, Dec. 20.—Wheat: Wheat continues a dull, holiday affair with prices holding firm within a narrow range. During the first fifteen minutes seaboard houses took a little wheat and the pool were credited with the selling, but the total volume was quite small, and after this little activity there was nothing doing worth speaking about, the local pit crowd absorbing the very small offerings. Seaboard estimated sales at around 300,000 bushels.

The cash market was also dull with the demand not as good as it has been the past few days. Offerings were a little more liberal with some reselling going on, and spreads on the low grades, from number four down to feed were about 1/2 cent off. Argentine weather continues favorable and harvesting is now pretty well advanced in the important wheat growing areas, but very little new crop has reached seaboard so far. Argentine shipments this week estimated at 2,646,000 bushels, but no wheat was cleared from Black Sea ports this week.

Coarse grains: These markets, if possible, were even more quiet than wheat, there being practically nothing going on with little demand from any quarter. There was no selling pressure and prices held within a narrow range.

Flax: Dull and featureless; trade very light. Closing prices unchanged.

Wheat	Open	High	Low	Close
May	122.2	123.4	122.1	122.3
July	118.2	119.4	118.1	118.3
Sept.	114.2	115.4	114.1	114.3
Dec.	110.2	111.4	110.1	110.3
Jan.	106.2	107.4	106.1	106.3
Feb.	102.2	103.4	102.1	102.3
Mar.	98.2	99.4	98.1	98.3
Apr.	94.2	95.4	94.1	94.3
May	90.2	91.4	90.1	90.3
June	86.2	87.4	86.1	86.3
July	82.2	83.4	82.1	82.3
Aug.	78.2	79.4	78.1	78.3
Sept.	74.2	75.4	74.1	74.3
Oct.	70.2	71.4	70.1	70.3
Nov.	66.2	67.4	66.1	66.3
Dec.	62.2	63.4	62.1	62.3

Cash Grain Close

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SIDE GLANCES — By George Clark



"Make it whistle again."

To-morrow's Horoscope

Caution should be the keynote of to-day's activities, according to astrologers, which reads in the horoscope certain sinister influences.

There is a forbidding aspect for professional occupations. Under this rule there may be a tendency to see the dark side of things.

The morning should be fairly favorable to the transaction of important business, especially what concerns the settlement of the year's accounts.

It is a day in which to pay attention to well established routine rather than new plans.

Women should find the rule auspicious for shopping, although they may be inclined to buy too hastily, since the aspects tend to poor judgment in most matters.

It is not a lucky day for love affairs, although the stars will incline young men to woo.

Dancing and dining are well directed to-day, so far as meetings with strangers are concerned.

Girls may be sure of making a good impression while this rule prevails, for the masculine mind will be worshipping rather than critical.

Educational interests should benefit at this time when there will be deep interest in forward high ideas.

It is well for college students to prove the good effects of university life at this time, when large endowments may be easily obtained.

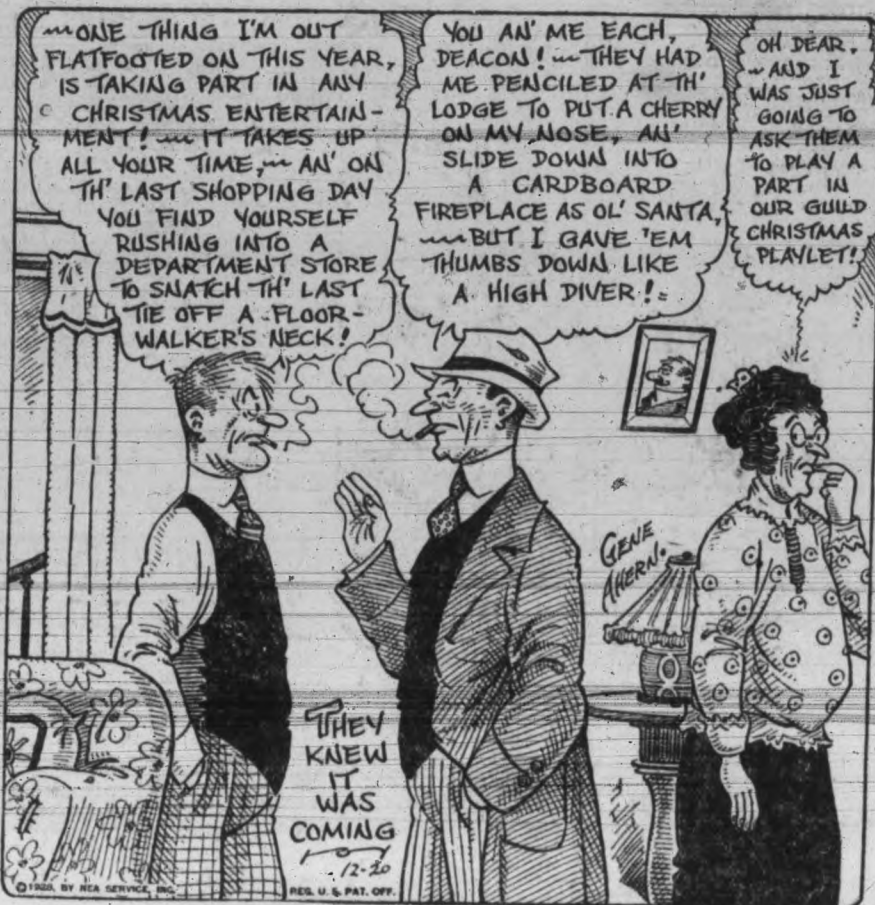
The evening should be favorable for entertaining friends or for most forms of hospitality.

Persons whose birthdate it is may expect good luck in the coming year, which may bring legacies and benefits of a substantial nature.

Children born on this day have chances above the average for a happy life, filled with friendship and activity.

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—By AHERN SCHOOL DAYS



—By DWIG

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"I was goin' to clean all my floors this morning, but Ella 'phoned she was bringin' the children over to spend the day."

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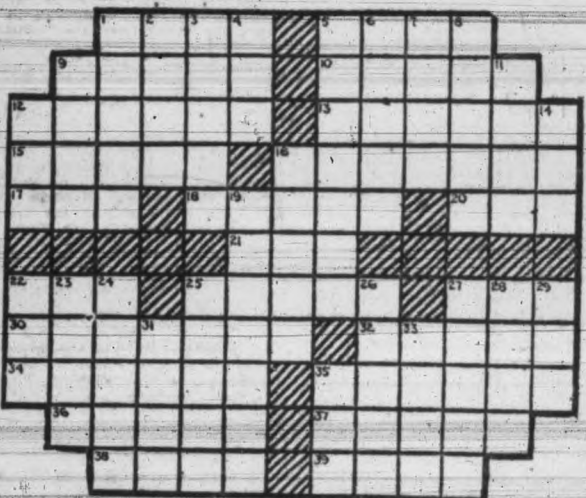
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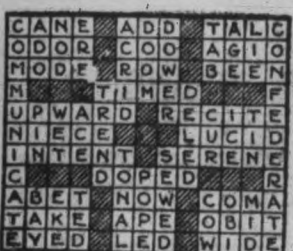


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- To become bankrupt.
- Portion of circles.
- Mare.
- Heads of colleges.
- Not difficult.
- Railway stations.
- To elude.
- Unsure.
- Snake-like fish.
- Twirl.
- Female sheep.
- To sum up.
- Genus including cattle.
- A lost.
- Mineral springs.
- Breathes in.
- Tax rate amount.
- Sailor.
- Probationer.
- Squandered.
- Footish.
- Concludes.
- Leather girdle.

VERTICAL

- Pertaining to a focus.
- Dry.
- Tiny bodies of land.
- Sheltered place.
- Appendix.
- Shoals.
- Sleeveless outer garment.
- To breathe loudly in sleep.
- To own.
- To cook slowly.
- Attorney's charge.
- Top observe.
- Drives.
- Mothers and fathers.
- Twice.



Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

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A party of friends paid a surprise visit to Miss Eva Hilborn, Sooke Road, the occasion being her birthday. Music and games were enjoyed, followed by the serving of refreshments. The self-invited guests included the Misses N.



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Palmer, D. Moody, R. Dixon, I. Brown, B. Gibson, J. Gibson, L. Brown, Messrs. H. West, C. Robbins and G. West.

Special music, consisting of carols, solos and quartets will be rendered Sunday next at St. John's Church at the evening service. Rev. G. H. Payne will conduct the service.

Relief Funds Are Voted in Britain

London, Dec. 20.—The House of Commons last night approved, without discussion, the Government's request for additional funds for relief in the distressed coal mining areas. The supplementary estimate, which was approved, provided \$1,475,000, including a grant of \$775,000 to the Lord Mayor's fund, which is being devoted to the relief of miners and their families in areas in England and Wales. It also included \$100,475 for the relief of distressed areas in Scotland.

AT THE THEATRES

WONDER HORSE OF SCREEN CAST NOW AT THE COLUMBIA

In many instances, a film player's popularity is gauged by the number of fan letters he receives. While this is not an infallible rule, it does serve to get a certain standard and at times regulates a player's salary. However, this is not always true, but in this particular case it was crystal clear in style although the player in question was not interested in whether he received the added stipend or given higher parts.

This player is Tarzan, Ken Maynard, whose wonder horse, who has appeared in all of Ken's pictures to date, and in his latest, "The Upland Rider," now at the Columbia Theatre, the horse is featured.

Tarzan, long noted for his tricks and almost human intelligence, began to receive fan mail along with his picture he appeared in, until now it averages between seventy-five and a hundred letters a day requesting his photograph.

MENJOU STARRING IN PICTURE HERE AT THE CAPITOL

When Adolphe Menjou and his bride, Kathryn Carver, returned from Paris, where they were married, Paramount studio officials and Menjou set about to choose a story for the star to begin work on. It was decided that an original story submitted by two Paramount staff writers, Ernest Vajda and Keesel Thompson, would be an ideal story for the star's hands. It is labeled "His Private Life" and has to do with the love affairs of an around-the-town Parisian boulevardier.

Tuttle has directed a dozen comedy-drama hits for Paramount and has an ideal background for the type of story.

Among his hits are Richard Dix's "Easy Come, Easy Go," Esther Ralston in "Love and Learn" and more recently Charles "Buddy" Rogers' first starring picture, "Varsity."

"His Private Life" opens at the Capitol to-day for three days only.

The stage attractions appearing at the Capitol for this week include Murray and Van, songsters from KOMO station in Seattle; Edna Bennett, dancer, and Bobby Jones, the fun dispenser.

MYSTERY THRILLER ON STAGE AT THE COLISEUM THEATRE

With an adaptation from that famous stage and screen success, "The Canary," the Lee Jaxon Players are pleasing large and enthusiastic audiences at the Coliseum Theatre every evening this week. It is a most unusual play, and entirely different from any others staged here yet by the popular stock group. Coliseum patrons are hoping that Lee Jaxon, leader of the company, will see his way clear very shortly to present another mystery thriller, for a thriller this week's production surely is. From the time the curtain is first rung up until the final scene, "One Awful Hour," as the current attraction is titled, keeps the audience in continual wonder and suspense.

Lee Jaxon is at his best this week as the villain of the play, disguised as a negro servant. Mr. Jaxon keeps his audiences in convulsions of laughter with his assumed fright at his own actions; his queer negro drawl and typical darky expressions. It is the best of many character roles enacted by him in Victoria and it is safe to predict that both he and his talented company will have a long and successful engagement in this city.

On the screen this week the management is showing a picture entitled "Fleetwing." This fine double bill will show every evening with a matinee on Saturday afternoon.

CLEVER ARMY SHOW STAGE ATTRACTION AT THE PLAYHOUSE

Laughs in abundance are the results of the work of that clever team of Tommy and Les in their offering at the Playhouse this week. Les is a hard-boiled sergeant and Tommy is a colored rookie. The scene where Tommy and Les each get a letter from home is a hoot. And the last scene, where Tommy tries to make the French girl understand that he wants something to eat, is a riot.

The musical numbers this week are especially good. Miss Cleo Goffe sings "My Buddy" in her usual pleasing style. During the chorus of her song the powerful lights at the back of the stage are thrown on, revealing a Red Cross nurse and a wounded soldier in a beautiful tableau through a transparent curtain. Les Everson sings "Dear Old Pal." Tommy sings a popular number that is well received. And lastly Tommy and Les sing another

Where To Go To-night

THE SCREEN
Capitol—Adolphe Menjou in "His Private Life."
Columbia—Ken Maynard in "The Upland Rider."
THE STAGE
Coliseum—The Lee Jaxon Players in "One Awful Hour."
Crystal Garden—Swimming and Dancing.

of their comedy doubles that have proven so popular. All in all, this is one of the best shows put on by this company.

MRS. WARDLE'S YULE PARTY TO BE FEATURED

Famous Sketch From Dickens Will Be Seasonable Presentation at Festival

There is every evidence that the two dramatic events which will constitute part of the old-English Yuletide festival to be held in the Crystal Garden beginning next Saturday evening, will prove outstanding successes in dramatic circles here.

The programme includes no more seasonable a presentation than the famous sketch adapted from Charles Dickens' "Pickwick Papers" entitled "Mrs. Wardle's Christmas Party" at Dingley Dell. This was adapted for and produced by the Dickens Fellowship in Toronto, and the Victoria production is under the direction of Major L. Bullock-Webster, director of the B.C. Dramatic School of Victoria and Vancouver. Many of the inimitable characters of "Pickwick Papers," including Pickwick himself, old Mrs. Wardle, Sam Weller and the Fat Boy step into real life. The casual singers and the poor relations are all there joining in the merriment, and the hospitality of the Wardle home radiates joy and goodwill. This spirit prevails throughout the play, and it is only when old Mrs. Wardle sings a song of long ago that the scene is touched with pathos. Soon the guests are dancing and making merry till a stroke of twelve ushers in Christmas Day.

The stage scenery is being painted for this production by A. M. D. Fairbairn.

Among those appearing in this play are: Miss Clare Vincent, Miss Eileen Macpherson, J. W. Davis, David McLarey, Major J. A. P. Compton, Mr. Demers, Mr. Davis, P. Edmond Corby, Mrs. Colin Cummins, Ernest Black, Keith Edgell, Henry Worthington, Roy Goldfinch, Miss Ethel Bale, Eric Cox, Jimmie Musket, Miss Geraldine Rutledge, D'Arcy Bale, Mrs. T. E. Edmond Corby, Mrs. L. B. Walker, Miss May Murray, Miss Dorothy Cox, Miss Josephine Murray.

Cafe at Busy Newark Corner Bandits' Mark

New York, Dec. 20.—Two hundred feet from what Newark calls the second busiest street corner in the world, five men late yesterday entered a cafe in the basement beneath a theatre and robbed six employees and patrons of cash and jewelry valued at \$4,000.

The victims were first stripped of their outer clothing and looked in a washroom, the holdup men leisurely rifling their pockets before escaping. Thousand of Christmas shoppers walked the pavement above the cafe at 198 Market Street near Broad Street while the robbery was in progress.

RHINELAND EVACUATION

London, Dec. 20.—An impression gathered at Lugano that circumstances favored solution of the German reparations and Rhineland evacuation problems, was given in the House of Commons.

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TARZAN the MIGHTY

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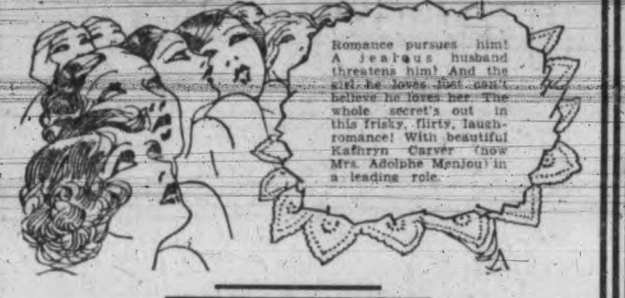
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